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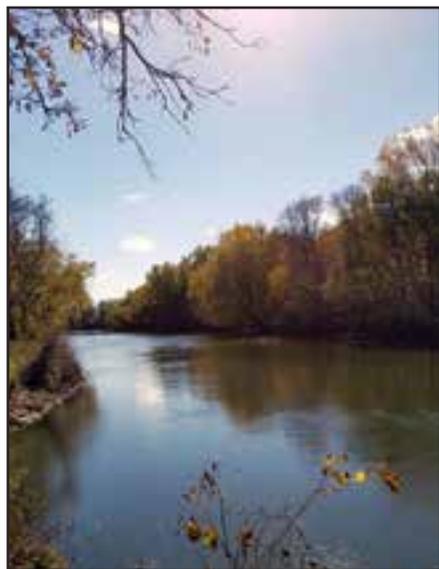
*Programs for Older, Wiser, Livelier, Souls (Pages 5-7)!*

## Expanding Outdoor Recreation Along the Wapsi!

Dan Cohen, BCCB Executive Director

The Wapsipinicon River Corridor through Buchanan County is among the most important natural features and sources for outdoor recreation in Iowa. As such, the Conservation Board has made protecting, enhancing, and providing public access to this treasured resource a long-term priority.

Efforts in the Wapsi Corridor began soon after Buchanan County citizens voted in 1955 to establish a Conservation Board. More than 60 years later, some large areas now provide very meaningful land for people and wildlife. This happened piece by piece over the decades as dedicated board members, staff, citizens, and partners added to the public's collection of lands along the great river.



*View looking downstream along the river at Roberts Wildlife Area.*

received a boost with the addition of the Roberts Wildlife Area (RWA). This 109 acres of forests, wetlands, uplands, and Wapsi shoreline is a key

*Blandings turtle found basking in a patch of sunlight at Roberts Wildlife Area.*



connection point for "pieces" of the Wapsi Corridor public lands "puzzle", joining Black Hawk County's Wilson Woods to the west to Buchanan County's Cutshall Area to the east. Public lands managed by Iowa DNR and the Conservation Board continue downstream, filling in much of the Corridor down to Otterville (see aerial photo on page 2).

The expanded corridor of protected public lands provides great places of natural beauty where people paddle, fish, hike, hunt, forage for berries and mushrooms, and watch and photograph wildlife. Among the great diversity of aquatic and terrestrial wildlife known to use the Corridor are some threatened and endangered species, including red-shouldered hawks, blandings turtles, central newts, and mudpuppies. Bald eagles and sandhill cranes are also known to nest in the area. The Wapsi is one of only a few river segments recognized as a Protected Waters Area, Bird Conservation Area, and State Water Trail.

As is always the case with acquiring public lands in Buchanan County, many partners were needed to make the RWA a reality. Family members of the Harris Estate provided the Conservation Board with the first option to

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*"The Wapsipinicon River has the longest continuous stretch of natural and scenic river corridor in the Iowan Surface Region, and quite possibly in the entire state."*

*— Iowa DNR PWA Designation Report*

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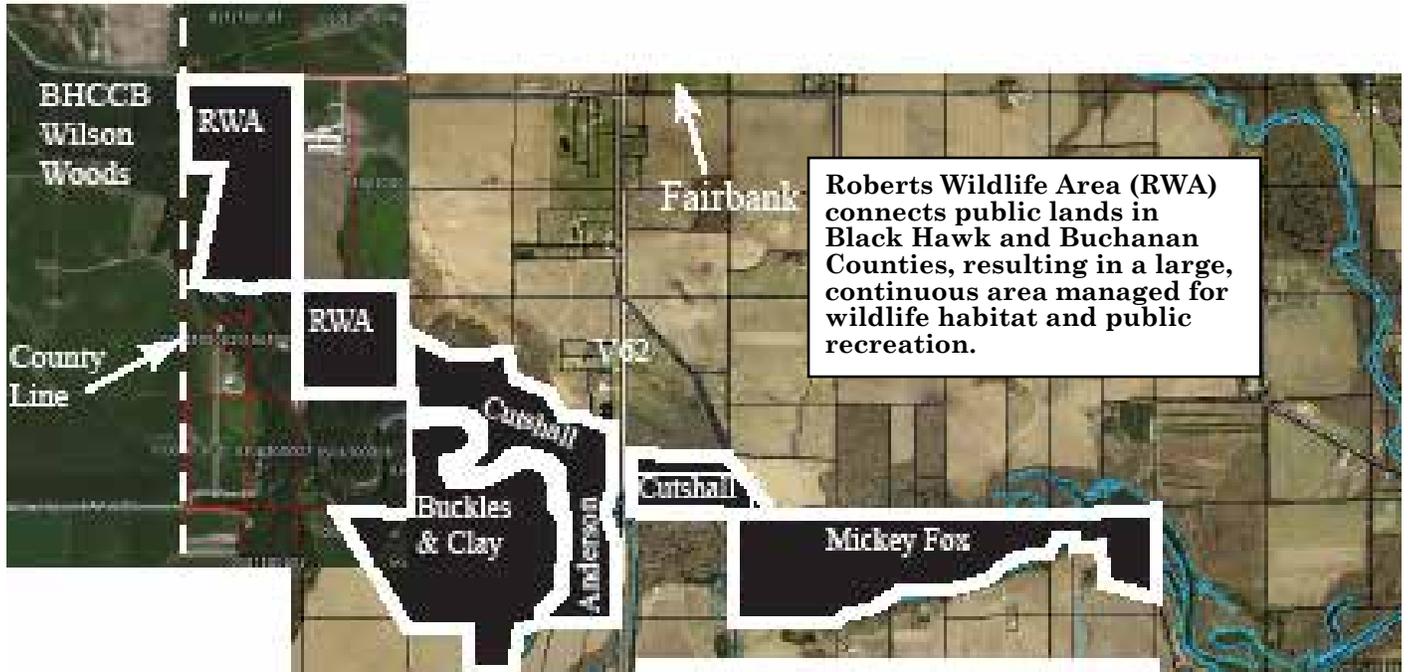
The complex of public lands in western Buchanan County's Perry Township recently

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purchase the property, and Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation stepped in to buy and hold it while the Conservation Board Director worked to secure grants and donations. Major funding was acquired through successful grant applications to the state Resource Enhancement and Protection Program (REAP) and the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. Cost-share for these applications came from many

familiar partners, including: The Pheasants Forever State Trust Fund and PF Chapters from Buchanan, Linn, Black Hawk, Delaware, and Clayton Counties; grants from the state National Wild Turkey Federation and Whitetails Unlimited; and local donations from Tri-Rivers Waterfowlers and Buchanan County Wildlife Association. A formal dedication for the property is planned for fall – watch for information in the next newsletter!



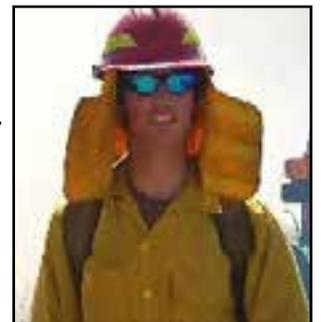
## New Faces in the Conservation Department



Andrew Anderson ready to feed the eagle

Meet the Conservation Board seasonal workers! Three seasonal workers joined regular staff this spring.

**Jacob Schwarting** of Independence and **Andrew Anderson** of Oelwein are working with field staff on management techniques and park maintenance as seasonal conservation technicians. Jacob is a student at Kirkwood Community College majoring in Parks and Natural Resources, and Andrew recently graduated from Kirkwood and will be attending Upper Iowa University this fall majoring in Conservation Management. **Bailey**



Jacob Schwarting on a prairie burn

**Dohlman** of Riceville is working with the conservation education program as a seasonal naturalist intern. She attends Iowa State University, majoring in Animal Ecology, and is working toward a profession as a naturalist. These seasonal workers join the rest of the Conservation Board staff in everyday efforts to provide people with great experiences in local parks and during various conservation programs.

Bailey Dohlman teaches about turtles



## Fontana Park Entrance – *Beautified*

The entrance to Fontana Park off Highway 150 has been getting quite a make-over during the past months. The new sign was installed last fall and, judging by visitor comments, has been garnering a lot of attention.

This spring more than 30 flowering trees and shrubs were planted on the property. Seventeen volunteers, who had donated to sponsor a tree, assisted staff by helping plant most of the trees. The majority of the trees will bear fruit - cherries, apples, pears, and peaches!

Still to come - *prairie!* A diverse mix of flowers and grasses will be seeded this month.



It may take a couple years, but prairie blooms and golden grasses will stun visitors, and announce to people that there is a place of nature and beauty if they take the turn off the highway.

Once the area is beautified, plans are in the works for use of a building that could serve as a cabin, lodge, or other public facility.



### *And, there's a special message...*

At the base of the Fontana Park entrance sign is a pile of rocks, and on one large rock is written the word "unless".



What is the meaning of "unless", can you guess? If so, send us an email at [bccbscheduling@gmail.com](mailto:bccbscheduling@gmail.com).

*Here's a clue...*



*Special thanks to Buchanan County Community Foundation and Hazleton Housing Corp. for grant funds used at the East Entrance!*



*This bench and table will be raffled on June 21. The set was built by Loren Hamilton, with materials donated by Spahn & Rose in Independence. Pictured is Office Manager Elaine Walker.*

## Win a bench and table or framed sandhill cranes print!

A Buchanan County Pheasants Forever Raffle all proceeds to support the Friends of Fontana Park

**Raffle tickets** may be purchased at the Fontana Park Nature Center, or may be ordered by contacting the nature center (319-636-2617/[bccbscheduling@gmail.com](mailto:bccbscheduling@gmail.com)). Purchase one ticket for \$10, or 3 tickets for \$20. Winner to be drawn June 21, 2018.



To register for programs, visit [www.buchanancountyparks.com](http://www.buchanancountyparks.com). Click on **Public Events**.

## Summer Programs for Kids Ages 3 to 12

Now is the time to register for the Conservation Board's popular series of summer programs. Registration for each program is limited, so be sure to go to [www.buchanancountyparks.com](http://www.buchanancountyparks.com) to register your child.

### Wee Nature Tales

Ages: 3-5 yrs

Mondays, June 4 to July 23 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Fontana Nature Center Classroom

Cost: \$30; Click [here](#) to register



This hour-long session combines all new age-appropriate nature stories with simple nature projects

and explorations. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Young Naturalists

Ages: 9-12

Wednesdays, June 6– July 25 1 p.m.- 3 p.m.

Fontana Nature Center Classroom

Cost: \$30; Click [here](#) to register

Children will discover the world in which they live, and their relationships with plants and other animals. All new activities will bring participants face to face with environmental issues, problems, and solutions.



### Nature Explorers



Ages: 6-8 yrs,

Thursdays June 7 – July 26 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Fontana Nature Center Classroom

Cost: \$30; Click [here](#) to register

This all-new program encourages an early interest in science and nature through hands-on exploration of the Fontana Park environment. Adults are welcome to attend.

*\$5 per child discount on youth summer programs for current members of Friends of Fontana Park!*

## Animal Encounters

Every Tuesday through August 31; 9:30 a.m.

Fontana Park Wildlife Display

Come out to the Fontana Park Wildlife Display and learn about the residents. There will be a staff person to feed and answer questions about the animal. Anyone is welcome to come, and people can just show up – no advance registration needed.



## Nature Kids

Monday, June 11 - 1 p.m. Insects - Register [here](#)

Monday, July 9 - 1 p.m. Snakes - Register [here](#)

Monday, August 13 – 1 p.m. Butterflies - Register [here](#)

Fontana Nature Center Classroom

Ages 3-5; Preregistration is required

Bring a child to the park to learn about and experience different Iowa animals each month. The program will start with a story, include an up-close encounter with a live animal,



and end with time spent outside exploring (dress for the weather). Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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### Rhubarb Leaf Birdbath

Friday, June 15, 5:00 p.m.  
 Fontana Nature Center Classroom  
 \$8 per birdbath; Click [here](#) to register

Make this creative concrete birdbath with an impression of a rhubarb leaf to keep in your own yard or as a great gift. Birdbaths will require



at least three days of curing before being ready to travel. Participants that have large rhubarb or other leaves are encouraged to bring those wrapped in a damp cloth to prevent drying.

### Annual RASH Ride – June 9.

Bicyclists ride at their own pace around Buchanan County. There are 25, 50, or 66-mile ride options, and stops every 10 miles or so with plenty of food and beverages. For more information and to register, visit [www.rashride.org](http://www.rashride.org)!



### Nature Crafts

Saturday, June 16, 10 a.m.  
 East Shelter at Fontana Park  
 No preregistration required

Let your creativity wander! Join Naturalist Intern Bailey Dohlman on a short hike to find natural craft materials. After materials are found, participants will use creativity to make their own sun catcher.



### OWLS – Forest Hike!

#### (Older Wiser Livelier Souls)

Monday, June 25, 5 p.m.  
 Guy Grover Timber & Tree Planting (west of Quasqueton)  
 Click [here](#) to register

Are you an adult and have you been looking to experience nature, make new friends, and get outdoors? Join a naturalist and enjoy some of Buchanan County's hidden gems. OWLS is a program specifically design for adults to learn and

explore nature in and around Buchanan County. The program will kickoff with a great evening hike through Guy Grover Timber and Tree Plantings (2720 Nolen Ave., Independence). The hike will be about one mile, with some moderate



### Coyote Club – Water!

Tuesday, June 26 5 p.m.  
 Fontana Nature Center Classroom  
 Click [here](#) to register; cost \$5/child



Coyote Club is for kids age 6-10 who are interested in nature, animals, and outdoor fun! Participants engage with the Naturalist at Fontana Park, with programs scattered throughout the year.

The upcoming Coyote Club Program features water studies. Water is important to everyone, so why not go out and explore the water of Otter Creek. There will be a short talk about water quality and why it is important, and plenty of time to get into the creek and explore



the water and many critters living in it. Snack and drink are provided, and Coyote Club members receive a special Club drawstring backpack.

## Young Families Canoe Float

Saturday, July 7th 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Knott's Landing Access to Three Elms Park  
Click [here](#) to register



Looking for a way to get your young children on a family outdoor adventure? Join a naturalist on a short paddling trip with scavenger hunts, wading, and sandbar

exploration. This trip is designed for families with children ages 1-8, eager to explore with their kids!

## OWLS – History at Jakway! (Older Wiser Livelier Souls)

Monday, July 23, 11 a.m.  
Jakway Forest (2791 136th St., Aurora)  
Click [here](#) to register

Are you an adult and have you been looking to experience nature, make new friends, and get

outdoors? Join a naturalist and enjoy some of Buchanan County's hidden gems. OWLS is a program specifically design for adults to learn and explore nature in and around Buchanan County. The second OWLS program will be held at Richardson-Jakway Historic Site and will feature a tour of the 1851 house and pioneer homestead, and a history-themed woodland walk. The Historic Site interprets a rich history of pioneer settlement and westward movement, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



## The Lorax

Friday, July 27, 5 p.m.  
Fontana Nature Center  
Ages 6-8  
Click [here](#) to register

The truffula trees are in bloom! Come join Naturalist Intern Bailey Dohman in a reading of the class Dr. Seuss story. Following the story, participants will venture outside for a short hike, exploring nature and touching on the lessons of "the Lorax". The hike will be followed by a fun Lorax craft.

## Let's Fish

Saturday, August 4, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.  
Main Shelter at Fontana Park

Enter your children (under age 16) in a fishing tournament and other activities! Each child will be going home with a gift bag to help start their fishing adventure. Prizes will be awarded. Participants may bring your own fishing poles, but a limited number of fishing poles will be available on loan. Worms will also be provided. A fishing license is required for anyone age 16 or older who is fishing, or helping a child fish, at this event.



## Whitewater Kayaking

Thursday, August 16, 10:30 a.m.  
Manchester Whitewater Course; Minimum age 10  
Click [here](#) to register; Fee \$40 per person

The water can be a calm and reflective place, but it can also be a place for extreme sports. Conservation staff and Crawdaddy Outdoors will be hosting an excursion on the Manchester whitewater course. Carpooling is available from Fontana Park.

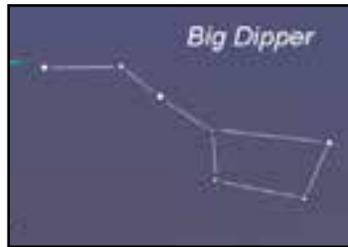


***Unless otherwise indicated, programs are free, but preregistration is required. To preregister, visit [www.buchanancountyparks.com](http://www.buchanancountyparks.com) and click 'Public Events.'***

### Star Party

Friday, Aug. 17, 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Fontana Nature Center

Join Conservation Volunteer David Voigts and others in enjoying up-close views of the night sky. Highlights will include bright Saturn, Lagoon Nebula, and other deep sky objects.



### Old Time Meal

Wednesday, Sept. 5, 5:00 p.m.  
Richardson-Jakway House, Jakway Forest  
Limited to 26 people  
Click [here](#) to register; \$20 per person

The Old Time Meal will feature prime rib, garden greens, fingerling potatoes, and Amish bread with honey and jam, topped off with a homemade seasonal pie. A special after-supper program is being planned. Old Time Meals are sponsored by the Richardson-Jakway Foundation and Buchanan County Conservation Board. Proceeds help fund continued restoration of the Richardson-Jakway Historic Site.

### Attention Civic Clubs!

Are you a member of a civic organization, looking for a speaker or activity? Buchanan County Conservation staff are pleased provide a conservation program. Programs are available on a variety of topics. To schedule a program, contact the Conservation Department well in advance, as schedules do fill up.



*Fragile prickly pear cactus is a state-threatened species found at Bearbower.*

### OWLS (Older Wiser Livelier Souls) – Prairie Hike!

Monday, August 27, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
Bearbower Sand Prairie  
Click [here](#) to register; Adults only program

The third OWLS program will be held at Bearbower Sand Prairie (east of Brandon) and will feature ornate box turtles and their habitat. These turtles are threatened in the state of Iowa and can be found at Bearbower Sand Prairie. It is possible that participants will observe live turtles! Participants should expect to walk through sparse prairie vegetation on uneven ground. Be sure to dress for the weather.



*Ornate box turtle at Bearbower.*

### Monarch Tagging

Saturday, Sept. 1, 1 p.m. Click [here](#) to register  
Saturday, Sept. 22, 1 p.m. Click [here](#) to register  
Location TBD by blooming flowers  
Preregistration required; Cost: \$3 per person or \$7 per family

Monarch population numbers continue to be below the 20 year average. Tagging research and results are an important tool in measuring migration numbers. Register to participate in one or both of our fall migration events (at locations to be determined by nectaring flowers attractive to monarchs), to catch, tag and release these tiny travelers. This citizen science activity continues to be important as research continues through the University of Kansas' Monarch Watch program. Nets and tags will be provided. Those registered will be contacted with the tagging location.



## New displays at Fontana Park!

Displays are constantly changing at Fontana Park. In the nature center, a new honeybee display will feature beekeeping equipment and more information about bees. Bee sure to buzz by and check out the display this summer! The popular turtle touch tank area is being improved and upgraded with more diorama messages, and a larger turtle area. Turtle touch tank renovations have been made possible by Prairie Rapids Audubon Society, Friends of Fontana Park, and a



*Naturalist intern Bailey Dohlman with new honeybee display items.*

memorial gift for Arlys Kaune.

The Animal Care Building featured live animals during winter. These animals now are in their outside enclosures. The building now will feature displays on bird eggs and albinism. The egg display includes several species, from hummingbirds to eagles. Each season, the display kiosk near the playground changes topic. The summer display is coming soon.

## Youth Conservation Crew — Local Youth Invited to Enhance and Protect Public Lands!

Youth ages 12 to 18 are encouraged to help protect and enhance parks and natural area, and have fun in the process! The



first Buchanan County Youth Conservation Crew will be at Fontana Nature Center. Subsequent dates will be at other Buchanan County parks and natural areas. Conservation Crew will meet on the following Thursdays: June 14 and 28, July 12 and 26, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., and August 9. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Each day, participants will join in leadership and education activities, and hands-on service learning. Crew members will be provided work gloves, water and snacks, and a crew member t-shirt. Members should dress to get dirty and be prepared to do physical conservation work. Equipment needed for projects will be provided on site. Examples of projects include: invasive plant species removal, trail maintenance; brush clearing, bird house construction and maintenance; cleanups; wildlife monitoring; painting; planting; and more.

Crew members will gain skills to last a lifetime, friendships, natural resource knowledge and abilities, and a stronger connection to the environment. Service hours may be used for community service hours at local schools. Participants can attend all crew work dates or as many as their schedule allows.

Contact Naturalist Michael Maas (319-636-2617/[mmaas@co.buchanan.ia.us](mailto:mmaas@co.buchanan.ia.us) for more information or to register as a crew member.

### FY17 Annual Volunteer Award Recognition

In March, Conservation Volunteers were recognized during a special luncheon. Although all were recognized, the following were given special volunteer awards (NC = Nature Center).

Clark Willoughby.....	100 Hours	NC Receptionist
Jane Watson.....	60 Hours	NC Receptionist
Elaine Hughes.....	60 Hours	NC Receptionist
David Voigts.....	50 Hours	NC Receptionist
Judy Porter.....	50 Hours	NC Receptionist
Ellen Gaffney.....	40 Hours	NC Receptionist
Marybeth Jaggard.....	40 Hours	NC Receptionist
Faith Rulapaugh.....	40 Hours	NC Receptionist
Kathy Karsten.....	40 Hours	NC Receptionist
Shirley Rozendaal.....	40 Hours	NC Receptionist
Edith Biddinger.....	30 Hours	NC Receptionist
Barb Roberson.....	30 Hours	NC Receptionist
Ruth Schlitter.....	30 Hours	NC Receptionist
Helen Hoefler.....	20 Hours	NC Receptionist
Frankie King.....	20 Hours	NC Receptionist
Lorene Shonka.....	20 Hours	NC Receptionist
David Voigts.....		Overall Volunteer
Tim Anderson.....		New Volunteer
Independence Senior Center..		Folding Newsletters
Harvey and Mary Davis.....		Richardson-Jakway Historic Site
Layne Schuldt .....		Young Volunteer Award
Landyn Schuldt.....		Young Volunteer Award
Scott Schuldt.....		Young Volunteer Award
Gynn Schuldt.....		Young Volunteer Award
Loren Hamilton.....		Fundraising Award
Rosalie Nielsen.....		Most campground host hours

## Buchanan County Natural Areas Photo Contest

Entries must be emailed to [bccbscheduling@gmail.com](mailto:bccbscheduling@gmail.com)  
 Entry deadline is September 13  
 Complete rules at [www.buchanancountyparks.com](http://www.buchanancountyparks.com)

Don't Forget! Keep your camera handy as you visit Buchanan County's natural areas this spring and summer and keep in mind the four categories: Landscapes, Wildlife, Plants & Wildflowers, & People Enjoying Nature. There are always lots of wildlife and plant entries, so also consider entering landscapes and people enjoying nature photos. Capture blossoms, family gatherings, or share your photos from this past winter's snow, ice, and frost! Overall winners will receive \$100, and category winners will receive \$50. For more information on the contest or for a copy of the official rules, visit [www.buchanancountyparks.com](http://www.buchanancountyparks.com) or call 319-636-2617.



2017 Overall Winner by Kenneth Heair

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If you change your email address or paper delivery address, be sure to notify the Conservation Board office using the email address above, or by calling 319-636-2617.

## Conservation Calendar!

- June 1-3 *Free Fishing Weekend*  
No fishing license required statewide.  
All other regulations remain in place.
- June 5 *Animal Encounters begins*  
every Tuesday through the end of August  
Fontana Park, 9:30 a.m. (P. 4).
- June 4-7 *Summer Camp Classes begin*  
Fontana Nature Center (P. 4).
- June 11 *Nature Kids*  
Fontana Nature Center 1 p.m. (P. 4).
- June 9 *RASH Ride*, Buchanan County, (P. 7).
- June 15 *Rhubarb Leaf Birdbath*  
Fontana Nature Center, 5 p.m. (P. 5).
- June 19 *Conservation Board Meeting*  
Fontana Nature Center, 6 p.m.
- June 16 *Nature Crafts*  
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- June 25 *OWLS (Older Wiser Livelier Souls)*  
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- July 7 *Young Families Canoe Float*  
Knott's Landing Access, 10 a.m. (P. 6).
- July 9 *Nature Kids*  
Fontana Nature Center 1 p.m. (P. 4).
- July 9 *River Raiders Training Day (FULL)*  
Fontana Nature Center, 5 p.m.
- July 17 *Conservation Board Meeting*  
Fontana Nature Center, 6 p.m.
- July 17-19 *River Raiders Program for Youth (FULL)*  
Upper Iowa River, 9 a.m.
- July 23 *OWLS (Older Wiser Livelier Souls)*  
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- Sept. 13 *Photo Contest Deadline (P. 9)*
- Sept. 22 *Monarch Tagging*  
Location TBD, 1 p.m. (P. 7).

## Buchanan County Parks (acres)

1. Fontana Park and Jarrett Slater Addition (134)..... Hazleton
2. Jakway Forest (315)..... Aurora
3. Lime Creek Area (45)..... Brandon
4. Boies Bend Area (26)..... Quasqueton
5. Buffalo Creek Area (81.5)..... Winthrop
6. Otter Creek Roadside Park (13)..... Hazleton

## Buchanan County Natural Areas (acres)

7. Mickey Fox Area and Anderson Addition (118)..... Jesup
8. VanLaningham Area (3)..... Independence
9. Otter Creek Wildlife Area (100)..... Hazleton
10. Hoover Area (20)..... Troy Mills
11. Sand Creek Area (80)..... Quasqueton
12. Niebeck Nature Preserve (35)..... Hazleton
13. Pine Creek Area (40)..... Quasqueton
14. Buffalo Creek Wildlife Area (60)..... Winthrop
15. Rowley Fen (43)..... Rowley
16. Koutny Pond/Hoffman Woods (106)..... Brandon
17. Putty Root Preserve (17)..... Quasqueton
18. Blazing-Star Prairie (7.5)..... Rowley
19. Crumbacher Wildlife Area (368)..... Independence
20. Bearbower Sand Prairie (40)..... Brandon
21. Swartz Preserve (4)..... Aurora
22. Bryantsburg Prairie Preserve (1.5)..... Hazleton
23. Frogville Access (135)..... Troy Mills
24. Schneider-Heinick-Rowe Area (20)..... Troy Mills
25. Newton Township Natural Area (158)..... Quasqueton
26. Patton Prairie (45)..... Aurora
27. Hodges and North Wildlife Area (67)..... Jesup
28. Fairbank Fen (40)..... Fairbank
29. Anderson Addition to Cutshall (24)..... Jesup
30. Ham Marsh (54)..... Independence
31. Wehner Woods (30)..... Lamont
32. Guy Grover Timber and Tree Plantings (201)..... Quasqueton
33. Quigley-Slattery Heritage Prairie (33)..... Winthrop
34. Roberts Wildlife Area (109)..... Fairbank

## Buchanan County River Accesses (acres)

35. Iron Bridge Woodland (34)..... Quasqueton
36. Troy Mills Wapsi Access (63)..... Troy Mills
37. Wapsi River Access (51)..... Independence
38. Three Elms Area (75)..... Independence
39. Cutshall Area (85)..... Jesup
40. Cortright Wildlife Area (190)..... Littleton
41. Robert "Chic" McGlaughlin Access (6)..... Littleton

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*Naturalist Michael Maas presents one of many programs offered through Buchanan County Conservation Board. Be sure to get signed up for the fun programs featured in this newsletter!*

