



The Otter Creek Quarterly

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A Newsletter of the Buchanan County Conservation Board

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Liberty Township Wildlife Corridor!

Dan Cohen, BCCB Director

In November, the Conservation Board was able to add another 15 acres to its offering of public lands for outdoor recreation and nature appreciation. As is so often the case, this was made possible largely through donors and other partners. Justin and Molly Kuhn offered to sell the property. Donations were made by Buchanan County Pheasants Forever, Tri-Rivers Waterfowlers, and Buchanan County Wildlife Association. A grant was received from Whitetails Unlimited.

This piece of property (indicated with hash marks in the aerial photo on page 2) adds to a priority effort of the Conservation Board to create a wildlife corridor and provide outdoor recreation along the Wapsipinicon River Corridor in Liberty Township, west of Quasqueton. I refer to these areas as the Liberty Township Wildlife Corridor.

The 15 acres now is part of the larger Guy Grover Timber and Tree Plantings that was donated to the Conservation Board in 2011. The location is optimal in the effort to connect existing public lands managed by the Conservation Board and Iowa DNR (outlined in white on the aerial photo). The yellow dashed lines on the aerial indicate trails through private land where the public is permitted to travel from one parcel to another.

There are many benefits to creating a large wildlife complex. Larger areas tend to provide better habitat protection, and are better at providing for the habitat needs for diverse wildlife. Animals that must move around to accommodate food, reproduction, shelter, and other needs, tend to fare better in larger areas.

The Liberty Township Wildlife Complex provides for a great variety of outdoor recreation in the great Wapsi Corridor, including hiking



Above: A white-tailed deer walks through the Iron Bridge Woodland - part of a larger complex of wildlife habitat in Liberty Township, west of Quasqueton.

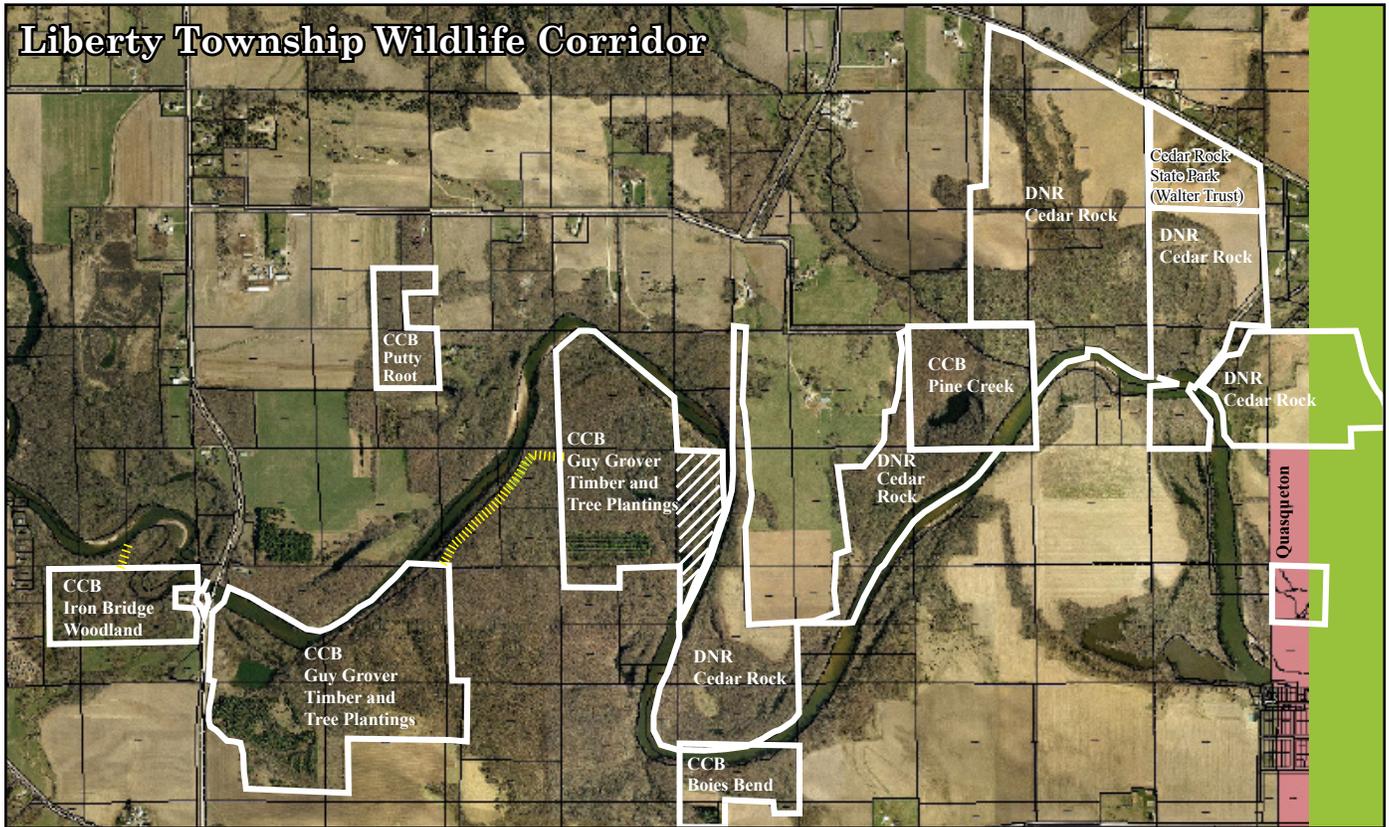
trails, river accesses, a cultural interpretive site, and places to fish, hunt, gather mushrooms, photograph wildlife, and much more. With a one-time crossing of the Wapsipinicon River, a person could walk from the Iron Bridge on Nolen Avenue to the town of Quasqueton, and never be trespassing on private land (4-5 miles, depending on the route taken)!

As is evident in the aerial photo, much of Buchanan County is parceled into small areas. Therefore, protecting a larger complex in

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Buchanan County requires getting all the pieces placed together over time. The Liberty Township Wildlife Complex has been in the works for more than 50 years!



Winter Reflections from the Fontana Cabins

Winter is a great time to enjoy a stay in a Sustainable Living Cabin at Fontana Park. The cabins feature overnight comfort with sustainability in mind, and include two bedrooms, a full bathroom, dining area, and kitchenette. All the electricity comes from a solar panel system, and other sustainability features are found throughout the cabin. The excerpts, shown to the right, are from the cabin journals, written by cabin renters during their stay this past winter. **Call to reserve a cabin – 319-636-2617.**



We stayed from Dec. 31 to Jan. 4. We could not have asked for better weather. Had bonfires everyday! Kids loved playing and hiking outside.”

“Cold outside, but toasty in here! Very nice and educational about energy usage.” 1/18/15

“The Amish were down cutting ice. About 8-10 ice fishermen out over the weekend. Pretty quiet weekend for critters coming out. Good time on the walking paths.” 1-19-15

“Wonderful time - just what we needed. Nice cabin, and awesome that it is run on solar energy. We will definitely be back this summer with grandkids!” 2-27-15

New Conservation Technician

My name is Michael Maas and I am the new Conservation Technician for the Buchanan County Conservation Board. I have lived in Buchanan County for two years with my wife and dog. We have always enjoyed visiting Fontana on the weekends and love seeing the animals. I am now excited to be part of the team caring for those animals on display, and the parks within the county.

I graduated from the University of Northern Iowa with a major in Earth Science and an emphasis in Natural History Interpretation. Prior to coming to Buchanan County, I worked at George Wyth Memorial State Park, Hartman Reserve Nature Center, Swiss Valley Nature Center and Black Hawk Wildlife Rehabilitation Project. I gained valuable knowledge and skills at each work experience that I hope will assist me with my new role as a Conservation Technician.



I look forward to my new role in Buchanan County. I hope to see you around the parks soon!



Chickadee Check-off

The Fish and Wildlife Tax Check-off, affectionately called the Chickadee Check-off was created to allow people to make a charitable donation to wildlife conservation in Iowa out of their tax refunds or by tacking a few dollars on to any taxes owed. When filling out the state income tax form, just look for the contribution line (usually somewhere between lines 55-60) and write in any dollar amount next to Fish/Wildlife. All the money contributed through the chickadee check-off helps support the Wildlife Diversity Program at the Iowa DNR, which addresses management of wildlife that can't be hunted, fished or trapped. You can learn more about the program at: www.iowadnr.gov/wildlifediversity.

Great Backyard Bird Count - February 12-15



The Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) is an annual four-day event that engages bird watchers of all ages in counting birds to create a real-time snapshot of where birds are across the continent. Anyone can participate, from beginning bird watchers to experts. It's as easy as 1-2-3!

1. Plan to count birds for at least 15 minutes on one or more days of the count. You can count for longer than that if you wish! Count birds in as many places and on as many days as you like—one day, two days, or all four days. Submit a separate checklist for each new day. You may also submit more than one checklist per day if you count in more than one location on any day.
2. Count the greatest number of individuals of each species that you see together at any one time. You may find it helpful to print out your regional bird checklist to get an idea of the kinds of birds you are likely to see in your area in February. You could take note of the highest number of each species you see on this checklist.
3. When you are finished, enter your results through the GBBC web page. (<http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc/>) You'll see a button marked "Enter Your Checklists!" on the website home page beginning on the first day of the count. It will remain active until the deadline for data submission.

Each year, in addition to entering their tallies, participants submit thousands of digital images for the GBBC photo contest. Many are featured in the popular online gallery.

Preserving Local Foods – Healthy Foods close to Home

Monday, Dec. 14, 6-9 p.m.; First Presbyterian Church, Independence; Fee - \$15 per participant; pre-registration limited to 15 people



Hunting season is in full swing, and sometimes it can be hard to find room in the freezer for all the meat.

Canning venison (or chicken or beef) is a great way to move some of the meat to the pantry – and a great way to use some of the tougher pieces of meat. Canned meat is very tender and ready to use right out of the jar. It is great for stews, noodle or casserole dishes, or fried. And using a pressure canner need not be scary.

Participants will be instructed in the safety and involved in all steps of the packing, prepping and pressure canning. Each participant will get to take home part of the products created. We will be canning chicken and hopefully, venison, but we are looking for deer donations. Through a Buchanan County Community Foundation Grant, participants will be able to check out preservation equipment (pressure canners, jar holders, timers, etc) for use in their home.

Princess Adventures

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 5 p.m.
Fontana Nature Center
Cost: \$5 per child

Do you know a little girl who loves princesses? Want to encourage her to dress up AND have fun exploring the outdoors at



the same time? Girls ages 3-8 are invited to come to the nature center dressed in "princess attire" (whatever that means to them). We will learn about birds, Gladys Black, make a bird feeder to take home, followed by a tea party with a snack.

Christmas Bird Count

Sunday, Dec. TBD, 7:30 a.m.
Casey's gas station on Hwy 150, north of HWY 20 in Independence (1906 3rd Ave SE).

Join a group of bird enthusiasts as they explore Buchanan County. Beginning birders and experts alike are invited to join the search for bird species that call Buchanan county home in winter. Groups will be birding by car and foot. Observation information helps determine the health of bird populations locally and nationally. Watch local newspapers for the date, or visit www.buchanancountyparks.com.



Moonlit Snowshoe

Sat., Jan. 23, 6 p.m.
Crumbacher Wildlife Area, southwest entrance off 250th St.
Fee - \$5 per participant

Strap on a pair of snowshoes and explore the beauty of a winter evening at the Crumbacher Wildlife Area southwest of Independence. If the sky is clear, the full moon will light our way. No prior snowshoeing experience is necessary. All ages are welcome.



Sleigh Rides at Cortright

Saturday, Feb. 13, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Cortright Wildlife Area



Experience Cortright Wildlife Area in a unique way – by horse-drawn sled. Participants register for 15-minute ride slots, and are

asked to arrive at Cortright 15 minutes before their scheduled ride. The sleigh typically holds two participants at a time (or two adults and two children). A fire for warming also will be offered.

Calling All Owls

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 6 p.m.
Fontana Park Parking Lot

The hike will begin with an introduction to the owls of Buchanan County and their signature calls. Hikers will venture out on the woodland trails to call for owls. If successful, participants will experience the thrill of hearing an owl answer back. Nights in the woods will never be the same after having "talked" to an owl!



Barred Owl



Unless otherwise indicated, programs are free. To preregister, call 319-636-2617 or email naturalist@iowatelecom.net.

Old Time Meals

Wednesday, June 1 and Sept. 7, 5 p.m.
Richardson-Jakway House, Jakway Forest
\$20 per person - registration is limited to 26 people!

Enjoy a delicious meal of prime rib and squash topped off with a wonderful dessert. Also enjoy a special program provided to you by the Richardson-Jakway Foundation and Conservation Board. Checks should be made payable to the Richardson-Jakway Foundation, which is a nonprofit group organized to raise funds for the preservation of the Historic Site. More information on presenter and meals will be advertised in the March Newsletter.



Enjoying a past Old Time Meal.



Sandhill Crane/Prairie Chicken Bus Tour

Tuesday - Thursday, March 29-31, Burwell, Kearney, and Omaha, Nebraska
Visit www.mycountyparks.com/County/Linn/Events.aspx for a copy of the registration brochure.
Registration is limited.

This year's trip begins by going to Burwell, NE to view prairie chicken booming during the prairie chicken courting season. Guides will transport participants to the prairie chicken leks and provide optimum viewing opportunities. Those who have never seen this spectacular bird watching event will be thrilled. Witnessing the dance of the prairie chicken is truly a one of a kind experience!

The trip will continue to Kearney, NE. Each spring, up to 500,000 sandhill cranes can be found along the Platte River between Kearney and Grand Island, Nebraska. Seeing large group of cranes, and hearing their rattling calls, is truly a spectacular experience. The cranes stage at this area to refuel on their northward trip to their breeding grounds. The trip will culminate with an observation of the cranes on Platte River.

The Linn and Buchanan County Conservation Boards cosponsor these bus trips to wildlife viewing opportunities in the Midwest.



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Extreme Outdoors

Visit http://www.buchanancountyiowa.org/services/conservation/extreme_outdoors.php for details about adventures offered through the year.



Whitewater Kayaking through the rapids in Charles City during last year's Extreme Outdoor adventure.

Extreme Outdoors is a series of adventurous, fun, challenging, exhilarating and safe outdoor activities sponsored by naturalists in Buchanan, Benton, and Chickasaw Counties. Activities are led by experienced professionals. There are exciting opportunities for all ages and skill levels.

Scott Graham, author of *Extreme Kids*, describes "extreme" this way: "It is about excitement, but in a fully safe manner. It is about personal growth through new accomplishments. It is not about defying death. Just the opposite, in fact. Extreme is about reveling in life."

These activities generally are geared for participants age ten to adult. You may participate in one or all events, but registration for each event is separate and limited. Transportation to the adventure locations is

the responsibility of the participants, but may be available from local county conservation boards.

2016 Extreme Outdoors Schedule **Snowshoeing - Pike's Peak State Park**

January 23; 1 p.m.; Minimum age 10; Registration fee \$10/person

Pike's Peak is well known for its fantastic views overlooking the Mississippi River as well as its beautiful limestone bluffs. Be prepared for a workout as the terrain is not flat! If there is not enough snow, participants will enjoy a winter hike around the park. Meet at 1 p.m. at the parking lot of 32264 Pikes Peak Rd., McGregor, IA.

Whitewater Kayaking – Whitewater Course

June 17; 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Manchester; Minimum age 10; Registration fee \$40/person.

Iowa's longest whitewater course, at more than 800 feet, is in Manchester. The course features six drops of about 18 inches. The features provide a great opportunity to teach beginners and challenge the more experienced. To see the features explained, watch the video online at http://manchesterwhitewater.com/index2.php#/rtext_2/. Participants will meet at 9 a.m. Parking is available west of Burger King at 218 W. Main Street Manchester. All equipment is provided, but if you have a life vest you prefer, you may bring that. Also bring sunscreen, water, and a lunch (or money for a quick bite at Burger King).

Overnight Canoe Float – Cedar River

July 19-20; 12 p.m.; Mt. Auburn boat ramp; Minimum age 10; Registration fee \$40/person

Enjoy an overnight canoe float with camping on a sandbar. Benton County Naturalists will provide tents, canoes, and food! Meet at the Mt. Auburn boat ramp (on the Benton/Buchanan road) at noon. You will overnight at Tobins Cabin on the Cedar river. Benton County Naturalists will be doing activities that evening at the cabin, and will have tents available for those who wish to sleep outdoors. Supper on Tuesday, and breakfast and lunch on Wednesday, will be provided. A sack lunch is needed for Tuesday. Participants will depart Wednesday morning and arrive at the Vinton boat ramp in the early afternoon.

Spelunking - Coldwater

August 20; Winneshiek County; Minimum age 10; Registration fee TBD; More information to come in Spring Newsletter!

Congratulations Photo Contest Winners!

Winners in the 2015 Buchanan County Natural Areas Photo Contest were recently chosen by John Klotzbach, editor and photographer with the Independence Bulletin Journal. John provided comments on the images entered this year and selected the winning photos. Thanks to everyone who entered one or more pictures, and congratulations to all the winners.

Carol Thyer of Independence was chosen the overall winner for her photo of kids playing in the fall leaves at her home. John commented on the bright colors, fun expressions on the children's faces and the lighting. Carol also won in the Landscapes category with a photo of a horse and barn with fall leaf background. Bruce Benter of Oran won in the Plants & Wildflowers category with a photo of wildflowers on a picnic table. Linda Moon of Waterloo won in the Wildlife category for her photo of a bee and swallowtail on a thistle with a brilliant blue background. And Samantha Yexley of Jesup won in the People Enjoying Nature category with a photo of a her brother and dog playing in the snow.



2015 Overall Winner by Carol Thyer

The photo contest was sponsored by the Buchanan County Conservation Board. The overall winner received a \$100 prize and winners in each category received \$50. The photos will soon be on display in the Fontana Interpretive Nature Center.

Several new photographers entered the contest this year, but our overall number of photos was down from previous years, and we had fewer than 10 entries for People Enjoying Nature. I see folks here all the time with their phones taking pictures of people enjoying nature – surely more of you could have something to enter! Start taking pictures (or looking through images you have that have not been entered previously) when you are out picnicking, hiking, biking, fishing, canoeing, hunting, skiing, geocaching, etc., in Buchanan County for next year's contest here as well.

2015 Contest winners and 2016 Contest Rules will be online soon at www.buchanancountyparks.com. You can always find information there as well about our 40 county properties and upcoming events (click on the newsletter link). We look forward to seeing new photos from all of this year's participants and from other amateur photographers in next year's contest.

Coming Soon to Fontana – Bald Eagle and Great-horned Owl!



Two new additions to the Fontana Park Wildlife Display are "waiting in the wings".

As previously announced in the newsletter, our old bald eagle passed away. The eagle was a favorite of park visitors. Soon, another bald eagle will take the stage. The bird currently is receiving medical attention at the Wildlife Care Clinic in Ames. It was found standing in a cornfield near Radcliffe, IA, and brought to the clinic by a DNR officer. The metacarpals in the right wing were amputated due to an old break, making it not able to get much lift when trying to fly, so it is not releasable. Caretakers at the clinic state that it seems to get bored of the same type of food day after day, so we will be sure to mix up its diet by feeding a variety of meat.

The great horned owl was found by kindergarten students who were outside for P.E. class at United Schools near Boone, Iowa. A DNR officer picked it up and brought it to the clinic. It had a fracture to the left wrist that healed wrong, making it unable to fly, and not releasable.

The birds should land at Fontana Park soon. Make plans to visit the new birds, and the other animals, in the near future!

Volunteer Workshop

Saturday, March 12, 9 a.m.
Preregistration required

This workshop is for everyone, from seasoned volunteers who would like a refresher, to newcomers who need an orientation to volunteer work. All are welcome! Conservation Volunteers are involved in a wide variety of activities, including serving as nature center receptionists and campground hosts, monitoring nest boxes, helping with park maintenance, pulling invasive plants, working on special projects, and more!



Volunteer Edith Biddinger is handed a turtle from the Nature Center Hands-in-Pond.

The Volunteer Workshop will provide an opportunity to meet other volunteers, learn about opportunities, and begin receive volunteer training. The workshop will begin with drinks and donuts in the Nature Center. Call 319-636-2617 to preregister, or email Diane at dljohnson@windstream.net.

Nature Center Volunteers Wanted!

The Conservation Department thrives with help from volunteers. Volunteer receptionists are especially in need to greet and provide information to visitors, and allow the nature center to be open more hours. Volunteer receptionists and their hours are listed to the right. Other volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks. For more information, call 319-636-2617!



During winter months, driving conditions may be dangerous for our weekend volunteers and staff to open the nature center. Please call ahead when weather may be considered hazardous for driving. The nature center may be closed.

Volunteer Recognition

(as of 11/4/15)

Edith Biddinger.....	106
Ruby Bodeker.....	69
Joye Bower.....	106
Margaret Damge.....	16
Jim Elliott.....	8
Ellen Gaffney.....	138
Joy Hintz.....	570
Helen Hoefer.....	760
Elaine Hughes.....	188
Marybeth Jaggard.....	791
Kathy Karsten.....	46
Frankie King.....	160
Bob Mieke.....	179
Patti Olmsteadt.....	256
Judy Porter.....	328
Barbara Roberson.....	34
Ken Roberson.....	16
Shirley Rozendaal.....	196
Faith Rulapaugh.....	384
Ruth Schlitter.....	74
Steve Schulke.....	100
Sue Schulke.....	15
Lorene Shonka.....	152
David Voigts.....	394
Jane Watson.....	136

Yes, I want to donate to the Friends of Fontana Park!

Enclosed is my donation. I am glad to be able to contribute at the level shown below.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Donor (\$1-99) | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporter (\$250-499) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor (\$1,000-4,999) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contributor (\$100-249) | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron (\$500-999) | <input type="checkbox"/> Founder (\$5,000 or more) |

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Please contact me regarding making a donation as a memorial to a friend or relative. | <input type="checkbox"/> Please contact me regarding making a donation as a gift in the name of a friend or relative. |
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Names) as you wish them to read on recognition: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Make checks payable to:
Friends of Fontana Park and Mail to: Fontana Interpretive Nature Center, 1883 125th St., Hazleton, IA 50641

Conservation Calendar!

Dec. 14	Preserving Local Foods First Presbyterian Church, 6 p.m. (P. 4)	Jan. 23	<i>Extreme Outdoors: Snowshoeing</i> Pikes Peak State Park, 1 p.m. (P. 6).
Dec. 17	<i>Conservation Board Meeting</i> Bill's Restaurant in Independence, 5 p.m. (subject to change).	Feb. 12-15	<i>Great Backyard Bird Count</i> (P. 8).
Dec. 23	Princess Adventures Fontana Nature Center, 5 p.m. (P. 4)	Feb. 13	<i>Sleigh Rides at Cortright</i> Cortright Wildlife Area, 1 p.m. (P. 4).
Dec. 24	<i>Christmas Eve</i> (Nature Center closed in afternoon)	Feb. 15	<i>President's Day</i> (Nature Center closed)
Dec. 25	<i>Merry Christmas!</i> (Nature Center closed)	Feb. 16	<i>Conservation Board Meeting</i> Fontana Park, 6 p.m. (subject to change).
Dec. TBD	<i>Christmas Bird Count</i> Independence (P. 4).	Feb. 22	<i>Calling All Owls</i> Fontana Park, 6 p.m. (P. 5).
Jan. 1	<i>Happy New Year!</i> (Nature Center closed)	Mar. 15	<i>Conservation Board Meeting</i> Fontana Park, 6 p.m. (subject to change).
Jan. 18	<i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	Mar. 29-31	Sandhill Crane/Prairie Chicken Bus Tour Nebraska (P. 5)
Jan. 19	<i>Conservation Board Meeting</i> Fontana Park, 6 p.m. (subject to change).	June 1	<i>Old Time Meal</i> Richardson-Jakway House, 5 p.m. (P. 5).
Jan. 23	<i>Moonlit Snowshoe</i> Crumbacher, 6:00 p.m. (P. 4).	June 17	<i>Extreme Outdoors: Whitewater Kayaking</i> Manchester, 1 p.m. (P. 6).

Shopping at the Nature Center

Reclaim Your Holidays!!

This year, consider making your holiday gifts reflect one of the main wishes we all have - spending quality time with family and friends.

Do you enjoy camping? Purchase campground certificates for Buchanan County campgrounds. Give these to kids in your life and take them camping with you, or give them to a spouse and give the gift of time together in a natural place. Campground certificates are available in increments of \$18.

Maybe camping is not your style? Consider gift certificates for the sustainable living cabins at Fontana Park. This gives a more modern experience with a minimal energy footprint through solar panels and energy efficient components. Right outside the door is the beauty of the natural world. Cabin Certificates are \$75 per night.

Perhaps your gift could be a sponsorship of an animal in the wildlife display. For a donation ranging from \$35-\$150 you can place the name(s) of your kids, family, or friends on a sponsorship plaque on an animal enclosure for the 2016 calendar year. Sponsors also receive a photo of the animal, a certificate, and an informational letter in mid-December that can be wrapped for something to open.

Stop in the nature center and look at our selection of nature books and field guides. Consider a gift of a book and then spend the time reading to a youngster in your life, or a field guide could lead to time spent together exploring the outdoors together.

Someone less mobile on your list? Buy a bag of fair trade coffee and a mug from the nature center gift shop and give the gift of a monthly coffee date at their place.

Certificates, sponsorships and program registrations can be purchased at the Nature Center. Hours of operation are on page 10. Cash and personal checks are accepted.



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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 (40)..... 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

Buchanan County River Accesses (acres)

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

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