



# Dallas County Conservation Board eNews

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## **News & Events (more details on the [DCCB webpage](#))**

### **Nature Play Day: Rock Day**

Saturday, October 5, 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. at Snyder Tract, N. Raccoon River Wildlife Area  
(SW of Minburn off Minburn Road on west side of river)  
Preregistration is required for this free program.

Find treasures, build a cairn, skip a stone, find a lucky rock (one with a hole in it) or a whistle rock (ask Cindy). Come with a bucket to keep your treasures, and wear shoes than can get wet. Weather and water levels permitting. *Pre-register so we can contact you if changes need to be made.*

### **Adult Wilderness Trek 2020 Planning Meeting**

Wednesday, October 9, 7:30 p.m.—9 p.m. at Kuehn Conservation Area

Potential Trekkers for the DCCB Adult Wilderness Backpacking Trek of 2020, this is your third invitation to learn of this unique opportunity. The One Small Step-Wilderness event will engage you in a walking conversation, sauntering about the trails at Kuehn. In addition to getting an exposure to hiking, participants will have the opportunity to quiz the trek leaders with any questions they have concerning their acceptance of DCCB's Wilderness invitation. Our walkabout will end around a campfire, where the application process and timeline for the 2020 Trek will be shared.

### **Animal Feedings**

Most Mondays, 10:00 a.m.

@ Forest Park Museum

Free but call ahead to confirm

Join us for a chance to see our snake collection eat their tasty weekly meal and learn about the other Dallas County critters in our live collection. These underappreciated critters play important roles in our ecosystems and have some "superpowers" to share.

### **Dallas County Conservation Board is on Facebook & Instagram**



Stay up-to-date on programs, events, and news. [Follow](#) along for fun photos, throwback memories, and current conditions. Watch the seasons change throughout all of the Dallas County Conservation Board sites.

### **My County Parks Reservations**



A few weekends are still open for tent sites, cabins, and lodges. Fall booking is open now, too. Many Dallas CCB sites including the Sportsman Park cabins, lodge, and camping, plus Glissman Lodge and Dayton Stagecoach Inn are available on the [My County Parks](#) online reservation system. Weekly rentals still require a phone call to our office at 515-465-3577. Sportsman rentals available year-round. Glissman and Dayton are closed in winter, but may be available through November weather permitting, call our office to

check availability.

### **Seasonal Hours for Dallas County Parks: May 1 – October 31**

**Online Reservations:** [www.mycountyparks.com](http://www.mycountyparks.com)

**Sportsman Park, Dawson:** 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. daily. Reservations for campground, cabins and lodge. Primitive and modern camping allowed on a first come, first served basis.

**Dayton Stagecoach Inn:** A restored historic 1868 lodge available as a secluded rental house south of Bouton. Check availability online at [My County Parks](#).

**Glissman Lodge:** Southwest of Adel, this rental can sleep 8. Enjoy views from the porch and fishing in the pond. Check availability online at [My County Parks](#)

**Kuehn Conservation Area, Earlham:** ½ hour before sunrise to 10:00 p.m. daily. Restroom facilities open. Primitive camping allowed on first come, first serve basis. Primitive campsite #1 can be reserved.

**Voas Nature Area, Minburn:** ½ hour before sunrise to 10:00 p.m. daily. Restroom facilities open.

**Hanging Rock, Redfield:** 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. daily. Reservations accepted for the shelter.

**Trindle Park, Van Meter:** 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. daily. Reservations accepted for the shelter.

**MUSEUMS:** FREE! No fees to visit!

**Forest Park Museum, Perry:** Monday-Friday ~8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays ~1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Closed July 4<sup>th</sup>)

**Voas Rock & Mineral Museum near Minburn:** Open by appointment and during programming.

**Grand Army of the Republic, Redfield:** Open by appointment.

**For more information or to register for any of our programs contact:**

**Dallas County Conservation Board, 14581 K Avenue, Perry, IA 50220**

**Office Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

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