



NEWS AND EVENTS

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Update on Trails and Parks

- All DCCB parks and trails are now open and ready for use, following the storm clean-up!
- The portion of the Raccoon River Valley Trail from Redfield to Adel continues to be closed for construction.

Leopold Bench Scavenger Hunt Starts This Week

DCCB kicks off the “Where’s Aldo?” Leopold Bench Scavenger Hunt this week! A wooden bench, bearing a plaque with a quote by ecologist Aldo Leopold, has been placed in one of DCCB’s conservation areas. Our challenge to you is to explore our wild places in search of the bench. The first finder of the bench will be rewarded with bragging rights and a one-year pass to the Raccoon River Valley Bike Trail.

The first bench will be placed by 5:00pm on September 1. The process is easy and fun!

1. Look for the clue on the DCCB Facebook page or the [DCCB website](#). The first picture clue is included below.
2. Search our conservation areas. For a list of eligible areas, click [HERE](#) or visit the DCCB website.
3. Make note of the bench’s quote and email to conservation@dallascountyiowa.gov. Optionally, you can include a selfie at the bench location.
4. The discovery will be noted on the DCCB Facebook page and the DCCB website.
5. Then, the next clue for the next bench will be released in the same way and the hunt commences again!



DCCB will reveal the locations of the found benches on the DCCB website as an invitation to other adventurers to enjoy the benches, ponder the quote, and take in the views. Tag DCCB or share your own selfie or view from the bench on the DCCB Facebook to encourage others to discover the bench’s location as well. This activity for all ages will shake off the pandemic blues, showcase the changing seasons of Dallas County, and introduce the writings of Aldo Leopold for reflection.

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

PARKS, CAMPING AND LODGING

Sportsman Park	Dawson	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. daily	Check availability and make reservations for cabins and lodge at My County Parks . Primitive and modern camping allowed on a first-come, first-served basis.
Dayton Stagecoach Inn	Bouton		A restored historic 1868 lodge available as a secluded rental house. Check availability and make reservations at My County Parks .
Glissman Lodge	Adel		Enjoy views from the porch and fishing in the pond. Sleeps 8. Check availability at My County Parks .
Kuehn Conservation Area	Earlham	30 minutes before sunrise to 10:00 p.m. daily	Restroom facilities open. Primitive camping allowed on first-come, first-serve basis.
Voas Nature Area	Minburn	30 minutes before sunrise to 10:00 p.m. daily	Restroom facilities open.
Hanging Rock	Redfield	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. daily	Call (515)465-3577 for shelter reservations.
Trindle Park	Van Meter	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. daily	Call (515)465-3577 for shelter reservations.

MUSEUMS

All museums are free admission.

Forest Park Museum	Perry	Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Sunday, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m
Voas Rock & Mineral Museum	Minburn	Call (515)465-3577 for an appointment.
Grand Army of the Republic Post	Redfield	Call (515)465-3577 for an appointment.

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