



Newsletter

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NEXT WEEK!

The 58th Annual IACCB Fall Conference



Terrace View Event Center – Sioux Center, IA
hosted by the Lyon & Sioux County Conservation Boards

Over two years in the making – we’re looking forward to taking in all that Siouxland has to offer – learning from and experiencing all that is best about our county conservation system! Kudos and BIG THANKS to the Sioux and Lyon County Conservation Boards for all of their preparation, planning and now implementing those final plans for our arrival next week! Even the long-range weather is lookin’ good!

The **58th IACCB Annual Meeting** will be held following breakfast on **Friday, September 22nd** at the conference center. The annual meeting agenda, financial reports, budget and annual report are all available via the IACCB link on MyCountyParks.com. Please take advantage of this online resource as we will have minimal copies available for the annual meeting – thanks!

We currently have over \$4,900 of donated items to the **“Silent Auction for IACCB”**. These include several cabin packages, a guided turkey hunt, gift packages, tourism items, craft/art items, vendor-supplied donations & others – a “sure-not-to-miss” aspect of the conference, along with the raffle items! These features of the annual conference serve our Association by helping keep registration fees under control and provide a much-needed funding source for our training and orientation efforts throughout the year – many thanks for your support as both a donor and/or bidder! ☺ **See you all in Sioux Center next week!**

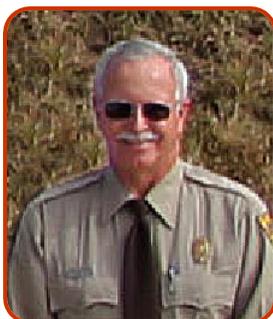
THU SEP 21	FRI SEP 22	SAT SEP 23
82°/55°	77°/53°	75°/48°
A p.m. t-storm possible	A thunderstorm possible	Mostly cloudy

Long-rang forecast for Sioux Center from Accu-Weather

75+ ATTY. GENERAL OPINIONS NOW IN PORTAL FILE!

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS >

File



If you were to sort the Salary Survey database in a couple of weeks when it is finalized – a longevity sort would bring up just a couple of folks at that “42 Years of Experience” level. **Kevin Blazek (Adair)** is one of the few in the 40+ years of service level – and he recently uploaded 60+ PDF files to the PORTAL from his archives to share with the rest of us! These represent CCB-related issues that have affected county conservation boards all the way back to the late 1950s. Kevin took some extra time to name them all for easy review, and we should all be most appreciative of his efforts to preserve these documents for us to reference in the years ahead! **Kudos, Kudos, Kudos to Kevin!** ☺

SAVE THE DATE:

The IACCB Calendar is also available online via the IACCB link on MCP.com

* Sept. 21-23 – IACCB Fall Conf. – Lyon/Sioux CCBs

* Sept. 27-29 – Roadside Conf. - Marshalltown

* Oct. 10-12 – CCPOA Fall Workshop – Johnston

* Oct. 18 – District 3 Mtg. – Woodbury CCB

* Oct. 19 – District 1 Mtg. – Hamilton CCB

* Oct. 26 – IACCB Board of Directors Mtg.

* Nov. 1 – New CCB Emp. School – Des Moines

* Nov. 2 – E-Commerce Summit – Des Moines

* Nov. 7-9 – IAN Fall Workshop

* Nov. 16 – District 4 Mtg. – Taylor CCB

* Dec. 13 – District 6 Mtg. – Allamakee CCB

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Fall Conference
September 21-23
Sioux Center, IA





www.REAPAlliance.org



9/13 Alliance Meeting
INHF Offices, D.M.

REAP NEWS & UPDATES

The **REAP Alliance** met on September 13 in the INHF conference room in Des Moines – 15 of the 48 Alliance organizations were represented at the meeting. (*IACCB and INHF have served as Co-Chairs of the Alliance since its formation in 1990*) This being an odd-numbered year – we have the **REAP Assemblies** coming up in October at 18 locations across the state – you are ALL encouraged to attend one or more of your local REAP Assemblies. A list of all assemblies was emailed to CCB Directors last week, and it is also available via the REAP link on our MCP.com website, or the REAP Alliance website (link above).

One thing that is perfectly clear is that it is going to take the full memberships of each Alliance organization to be in touch with legislators to advocate for full-funding and protection of the REAP formula! Iowa's natural resources can ill-afford additional cuts in funding as they have disproportionately received in the past couple of years! IACCB encourages you to invite your local community leaders, elected officials and especially legislators to join you for a nearby REAP Assembly this fall! The meetings are all scheduled to run from 6:30 – 8:00 PM with a general agenda to guide each one. Five delegates are elected at each assembly to represent their District to the REAP Congress at the statehouse on Saturday, January 6, 2018. (*Additional information about the structure of the REAP Program is available via the REAP link on MCP.com and the DNR's REAP pages*) Look forward to updated county-by-county REAP Expenditures lists to be available soon!

We will be tapping in to social media this fall and winter as we promote local REAP projects with something along the lines of #MyREAP (*or something similar*) where participants will have the opportunity to post pictures of themselves in front of a REAP project sign somewhere, and be eligible to win a kayak and/or other significant prizes! Stay tuned, and look forward to this fun opportunity! ☺



List of REAP Expenditures by County		
Adair County 1989-2014 PDF	Floyd County 1989-2014 PDF	Monona County 1989-2014 PDF



REAP CERTIFICATION REPORTS DUE BY OCTOBER 1ST

No REAP payments can be made until ALL 99 reports have been received!

Hey – as long as we are talkin' REAP – how about getting those remaining REAP Certification Reports, as required by the Iowa DNR turned in! This is not a new drill – same time, same place for the past 27 years.....but someone is always butting up against the deadline. The DNR needs all 99 reports in before any payments can be made! ☺



FREE TO A GOOD HOME!

The **Clinton County Conservation Board** has a **sign making machine** free for the taking. This is used to route letters out of boards when making park signs. We no longer use it, so if another conservation board is interested, come and get it. Contact Walt Wickham, Director via landline at **563-847-7202**, or email to: WWickham@clintoncounty-ia.gov



November 7-8, 2017

Holiday Inn Downtown
at Mercy Campus
1050 6th Ave

Des Moines, IA 50314

Tuesday: 9:00AM - 5:00PM

Wednesday: 8:30AM - 12:00PM



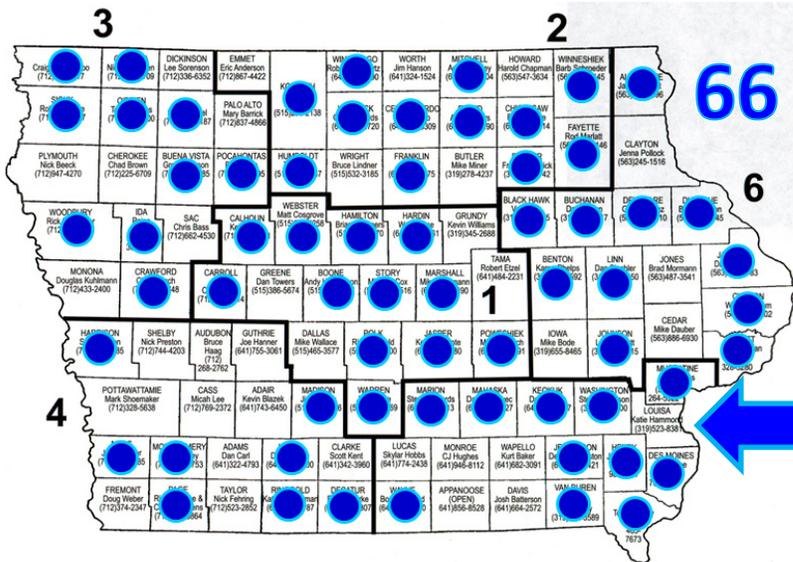
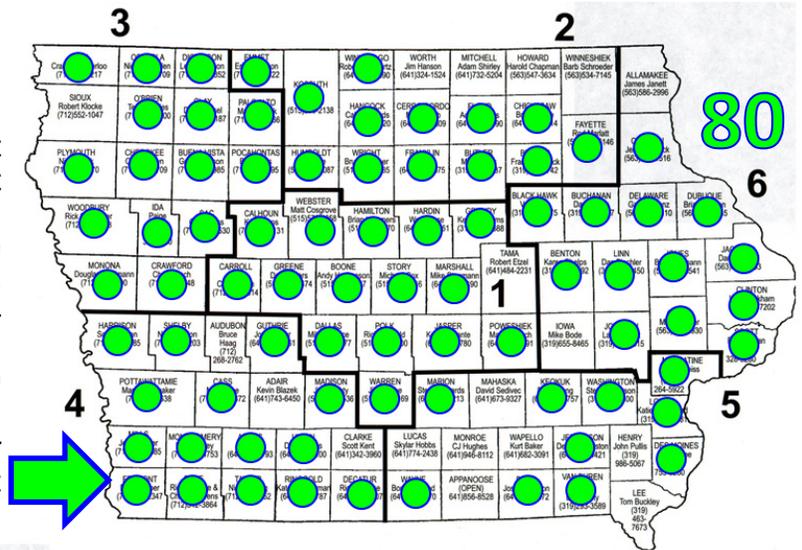
IOWA R3 SUMMIT – SAVE THE DATE

As part of Iowa's ongoing efforts to recruit, retain and reactivate outdoor users in the state, the **Iowa Department of Natural Resources** is hosting a meeting to share the progress of the effort. The tentative agenda looks very good, and they should have a registration link with additional information available towards the end of September. Please contact Megan Wisecup, DNR Hunter Ed. Administrator - megan.wisecup@dnr.iowa.gov

FY2018 SALARY SURVEYS!

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS NOW!

Historically, it has always been a wrestling match to get all 99 Salary Surveys submitted by the deadline – but this year, we seem to be a bit further behind than normal? We have received a good number of these updates back, and inasmuch as we ALL utilize this information in our budgetary and planning processes – we really need to have 100% participation! I don't have much incentive to toss the way of the remaining 19 CCBs – but the rest of your CCB peers are waiting and COUNTING on you!! 😊 Thanks for prioritizing your efforts to get this survey returned! Need a replacement copy? – IACCB@mycountyparks.org



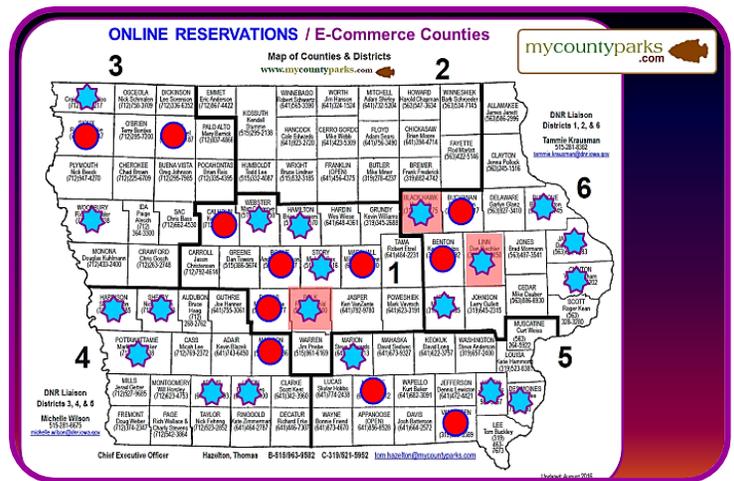
E-BLAST DATABASE INFO! DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 30th!

Good numbers here too – and GOOD NEWS – you still have a couple of weeks to get them in! 😊 As you know, we have requested your specific contact information that your CCB wishes to have appear on the “Constant Contact-like” E-Blast system from MyCountyParks.com. (Here again – if you need the form re-sent – please let us know 😊) Specifically important – we need that direct email that will be embedded behind the (XYZ)County@mycountyparks.com address that will serve as an “Alias” in the header of the emails coming from your CCB. It is our hope to have a demo of this new system at the E-Commerce Summit in November and training available at Winterfest 2018! 😊

CCBs w/ONLINE RESERVATIONS

As long as we have a page of maps brewing up here – hats off to the CCBs stepping up to the “Online Reservations Arena” in the upcoming months! (Designated by red dots on map) They join the existing 20 CCBs that already provide this service to their customers. (Blue).

MCP.com recently provided an E-Commerce Orientation workshop in Dallas County on Sept. 7 for counties interested in this feature of the website. A similar opportunity will be provided **on October 18th** following the **District 3 meeting in Woodbury County** - scheduled from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. It is recommended that CCBs begin their work towards launching online reservations at least ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE in order to accomplish all the design work, admin development and public relations!



IACCB STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

IACCB has nearly completed the round of presentations to all of the affiliate organizations (IACCB, CCDA, CCPOA, IAN, AFIRM and MCP.com) – which have been received with good enthusiasm and great conversations! We seem to have collectively developed a consensus on several administrative aspects of these organizations that can be managed better via either shared or consolidated services. By the end of October – the IACCB Board of Directors should be reviewing a final report on these discussions, as well as a recommendation for moving forward. Towards accomplishing these goals, IACCB has initiated discussion with our website developer to provide cost estimates for construction of an internal online **Event Registration System** that can be used and administered across our organization for ALL workshops, conferences, seminars and training schools. This is an exciting collaborative effort, and will be utilizing structural aspects of our MyCountyParks.com website that already exist! 😊 😊



PORTAL EMAIL HARVEST

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

mycountyparks.com

PORTAL

CONTACTS

- AFIRM
- CCPOA
- IACCBE
- LEGISLATIVE
- REAP ALLIANCE
- CCB ALUMNI
- EMPLOYEES
- IAN
- OTHER
- CCDA
- IACCB BOARD
- IOWA DNR
- PREF. VENDOR

Just a quick reminder that we are planning a quarterly harvest of the CONTACTS email addresses at the end of the month. As featured in previous newsletter – please take an extra moment to identify your employees with the various affiliate groups that they belong to. For additional info – please re-visit the previous edition! ☺

32ND ANNUAL CCPOA FALL WORKSHOP

OCTOBER 10-12, 2017 – CAMP DODGE, JOHNSTON

One additional reminder to our **CCB Peace Officers** that registrations are now being accepted for the **32nd Annual CCPOA Fall Workshop** – the newsletter with registration form and information is posted to the organization's website - <https://iowaccpoa.weebly.com/> This looks to be yet another excellent training opportunity put together by the CCPOA Executive Committee team! **REGISTRATION DEADLINE is September 30th** **QUESTIONS? : CCPOA@mycountyparks.org**



- * Name of event
- * Date(s)
- * Sponsoring organization
- * Event location (rough location, like city or park name)
- * Event contact information (phone number, e-mail, website)



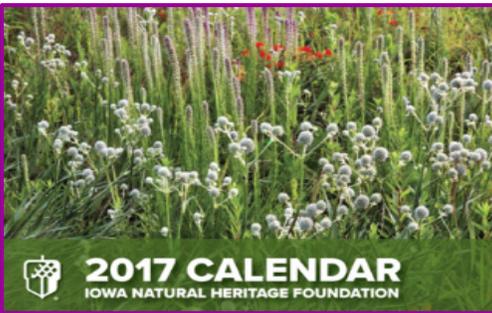
2018 INHF WALL CALENDAR REQUEST

FROM Genna Clemen – INHF Graphic Design Intern - I am working on the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation's 2018 wall calendar and would like to add your organization's event(s) — particularly events that help people experience Iowa's great outdoors. I know it seems early to be planning 2018 events, but I would appreciate information on next year's **events by October 13** in order to add them to our calendar. Our membership calendar is distributed to around 8,000 individuals and businesses each fall.

We are looking to add only events that are of statewide interest. In other words, we are not looking for every event that you sponsor during the year — just your major showcase event(s). *(Information required as indicated in the box to the left of this article)*

Please reply by October 13 with any confirmed dates of your 2018 events. I cannot guarantee that we will include every event, but we will try to include as many as possible. Feel free to be in touch with me at the following contact information – thanks for your assistance!

EMAIL: designinterngenna@inhf.org **PHONE:** (515) 288-1846



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



JOBS



<http://www.mycountyparks.com/Jobs/Default.aspx>

1. MONTGOMERY Co. - Director
2. PALO ALTO Co. – Naturalist
3. HARDIN Co. – Natural Resource Manager
4. TEMPORARY POSITIONS – 13 opportunities listed on website

Full Time
 Seasonal/Part-Time

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