



Up and Down the River

JACKSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD SPRING 2012

Hurstville Outdoor Makeover Project Moves Forward

The Hurstville Makeover Project is moving along as planned thanks to the numerous and generous donations received for the project!! The project is set to begin this spring with a groundbreaking ceremony for Phase I on Earth Day. Phase I includes the site preparation, pond and plaza area. Phase II will begin this summer as fundraising allows. This includes the accessible walkway, stream, welcome kiosk, chimney swift tower, bridge, and natural playscape. We hope to have these components completed by late fall of 2012 (depending on weather and funding).

Friends of Jackson County Conservation would like to invite the public to the:

Groundbreaking Ceremony on Sunday April 22 at 1:00 pm

Earth Day!

All are welcome to join in on a fun afternoon as we break ground on this exciting project. Ceremony will be at 1:00 pm. Following, at about 1:30, help us celebrate Earth Day by participating in a Prairie Stomp (plant seeds on our prairie). At 2:15 pm, join us for an engaging program related to the snake exhibit on display at the Center. Enjoy refreshments throughout the afternoon. In conjunction with the event will be a Plant Sale. Some of the flowers in the garden area at the Center will be demolished during construction. We will be digging out a variety of plants (daylilies, cup plant, nodding onion, coneflower, asters, goldenrod, etc..) that will be for sale on Earth Day.

As of February 27, Friends of Jackson County Conservation have raised **\$46,929** of their \$80,000 goal. Thank you to all the individuals, families, organizations and businesses for your continued support! An exceptional thank you to the following businesses and organizations for sponsoring key components for the project:

Maquoketa State Bank—\$15,000 for the amphitheatre
Whitetails Unlimited (Maquoketa Area & Wapsi Bottoms Chapter)—\$3,500 for the welcome kiosk
Lechtenburg Dental—\$3,500 for the chimney swift tower
Community Foundation of Jackson County—\$3,500 for the general project
Maquoketa Lumber Company—\$2,500 for the bridge

Friends of Jackson County Conservation are continuing to seek monetary support for this project. The project can only be completed if all funding is acquired. Any donation amount will help us reach our goal. Every penny counts! You can show your pride in the project by wearing a limited edition t-shirt you will receive with a \$100 donation. Those who donate \$500 or more will receive a t-shirt and be recognized on the donor wall in the Hurstville Interpretive Center.

Donor Wall Categories: \$500-2,499 \$2,500-9,999 \$10,000-24,999 \$25,000 and up

Donors also have the opportunity to be recognized with their name on a plaque outside in the outdoor classroom area by sponsoring a key project listed below. Donors will also receive a t-shirt and recognition on our donor wall.

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| ◆ Stream | \$10,000 | ◆ Gathering Plaza | \$3,500 (2 plazas available) | ◆ Garden | \$2,500 |
| ◆ Pond | \$10,000 | ◆ Natural Playscape | \$3,000 | ◆ Prairie Maze | \$2,500 |
| ◆ Walkway | \$15,000 | ◆ Stream Crossing | \$2,500 (2 crossing available) | ◆ Trees | \$2,500 |

To make a donation send checks payable to Friends of JCC to 18670 63rd St. Maquoketa Iowa 52060. Friends of Jackson County Conservation is a 501(c)3 and all donations are tax deductible. For more information, call us at 652-3783.

Spring Programs

April

Friends Soup Supper Fundraiser

Sunday April 1 Program 3 pm, Supper 4:30-6:30
Hurstville Interpretive Center

Funds raised will support the Hurstville Outdoor Makeover project. See page 6 for details on menu and program.

Swan Cygnet Release

Tuesday April 3 at 5:00 pm

Green Island Wildlife Area—Fish Lake Rd Parking Lot

Join us as we release two of the trumpeter swan cygnets that were raised at the Hurstville Interpretive Center.

(Other cygnets are being released in surrounding counties).



Friends of JCC Quarterly Meeting

Tuesday April 10 at 7:00 pm (Potluck at 6:00 pm)

Hurstville Interpretive Center

See page 6 for more details.

Treasure Hunt at the Caves

Saturday April 14 from 9:00—11:00 am

Maquoketa Caves State Park

Join Jen Meyer in a search using GPS units. And stick around for the Friends of the Caves pancake breakfast, with maple syrup made from the trees at the park!

Batty about Bats

Saturday April 14 at 2:00 pm

Hurstville Interpretive Center

Join a naturalist in celebrating National Bat Awareness & Appreciation Week. There are so many myths about bats, come and learn the truths of these flying mammals.

Waterfowl Viewing

Sunday April 15 at 2:00 pm

Hurstville Interpretive Center

Join bird watcher Bob Walton, in viewing the migrating waterfowl and shorebirds at the Hurstville Marsh. Learn to identify different birds. All ages and skill levels welcome!



Groundbreaking for Outdoor Makeover!

Saturday April 22 at 1:00 pm

Hurstville Interpretive Center

The public is invited as we break ground on this exciting project! Ceremony at 1:00 pm. Prairie Stomp at 1:30; celebrate Earth Day by planting seeds in the prairie. Snake Program at 2:15 pm. Also going on will be a Plant Sale of plants from the garden that will be removed.

Spring Wildflower Walk

Saturday April 28 at 10:00 am

Maquoketa Caves State Park

Spring has sprung and the hillsides are blanketed with flowers. Join a naturalist for an enjoyable hike at the park to spot spring wildflowers (and wildlife!).



May

Treasure Hunt Bike Ride

Saturday May 5 at 9:00 am

Meet at Twogood Park in Preston

Enjoy a leisurely bike ride on the Jackson County Recreation trail along with an opportunity to learn how to "go caching"! Don't know what caching is all about? Don't worry! We will have experienced cachers along to partner up with novices; GPS units provided. All ages welcome!



Iowans out West—6th in the series!

Topic: Endangered & Alien Species in Texas

Sunday May 6 at 4:00 pm

Hurstville Interpretive Center

Kim Wahl is a habitat management specialist with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Learn about the challenges of protecting habitat in Texas during extreme drought and heat. Program at 4:00. Delicious meal served following the program. \$9 per person. Tickets must be purchased by May 2. Benefits the Hurstville Outdoor Makeover project.

Dutch Oven Demonstration

Sunday May 13 at 1:00 pm

Hurstville Interpretive Center

Attention Campers and Outdoor Cooks. Are you tired of the same old campfire meals? Want to impress your friends with a "WOW" factor? Join us for a fun demo by Doug Gonner. He'll focus on a "Mountain Man" breakfast. *Optional:* bring your own Dutch Oven and recipe, and Doug will help you add the "WOW" factor. Preregistration appreciated in advance to have enough food. Minimal cost for food sampling, bring your own table service.



Kite Flying

Sunday May 20 between 1:00-3:00 pm

Hurstville Interpretive Center

Hope for a windy day as we fly our kites over the prairie. Bring your own or make one here (\$5, all materials provided) to fly. Fun for all ages!

Fun Family Campground Games

Friday May 25 at 7 pm at South Sabula Lakes

Saturday May 26 at 7 pm at Spruce Creek Park

Join a naturalist for some fun outdoor nature games at the picnic shelter at each campground. You don't have to be a camper to join in on the fun! All ages welcome.

Our public programs are designed for enjoyment and education for all ages and varying abilities. If you have special needs, please contact the JCCB office prior to an event. Programs are free of cost unless otherwise noted. Some programs require pre-registration. You can do this by calling our office at 563-652-3783.

June

Free Fishing Clinic

**Saturday June 2 from 9:00—11:00 am
Hurstville Fishing Pond**

Practice casting, learn how to clean a fish, learn who's who in the water, plus other activities. Then, see if you can catch the biggest or smallest fish! Bring your own equipment or borrow from us. Fun for all ages! *Free Fishing Weekend for Iowa residents June 1, 2, 3.*

Beginning GPS

**Sunday June 3 at 2:00 pm
Hurstville Interpretive Center**

Join a naturalist in searching for "hidden treasure" using GPS receivers! All skill levels welcome. Please pre-register by May 31.

Aquatic Critters

**Saturday June 9 at 2:00 pm
Hurstville Interpretive Center**

Join a naturalist in discovering life in a marsh! We'll provide you with a net to scoop bugs and other critters from the Hurstville Marsh. Learn who's who in the water & find out the quality of the water based on what's found.

Canoe Trip on the Maquoketa River

**Sunday June 10 at 1:00 pm
Maquoketa River—Route TBD**

Enjoy the beautiful scenery in Jackson County while cleaning up along one of our precious streams. A limited supply of canoes will be available or you can bring/rent your own. Pre-register by June 7th at 4 pm.

Friends of JCC Quarterly Meeting

**Tuesday June 12 at 7:00 pm
Hurstville Interpretive Center**

Join fellow Friends members in planning upcoming events and projects! Potluck at 6:00, bring a dish to share.

Book Review *By Karen Manning*

Fire Season; Field Notes from a Wilderness Lookout By Philip Connors

Fire! Wilderness! Two compelling words and ideas that Connors explores in this memoir of his eight summers as a fire lookout in the mountainous New Mexico forest that includes the world's first protected wilderness area, the Gila Wilderness.

Sitting alone in his fire lookout tower for weeks at a time (well, he has his dog) Connors reflects on solitude, being off-road and off-grid, in the midst of an amazingly pristine forest ecosystem.

His official duties are simple enough — "report the weather each morning, answer the radio, relay messages when asked, and call in new smokes when they show." The life of a lookout, Connors tells us, "is a blend of monotony, geometry and poetry, with healthy dollops of frivolity and sloth."

What is the value of a wilderness? Should roads, hunting, logging be allowed in a wilderness? Should all fires be extinguished? These questions, among others, provide real meat to chew on long after the book has been put down. The book is available from the Maquoketa Public Library. The book was published in 2011. A trade paperback edition will be available by March 1, 2012.

Ann Receives EE Award!

Ann Burns, Environmental Education Coordinator for Jackson County Conservation, was awarded an esteemed award this past winter for her efforts in environmental education. From both the Iowa Association of Naturalists and the Iowa Conservation Education Coalition, Ann was awarded the Bohumil Shimek Environmental Educator Award for her outstanding efforts as an environmental educator! This award recognizes either a formal or non-formal educator for innovative EE programming beyond her/his job expectations. This award is given to only one individual each year.

Ann Burns has worked for Jackson County Conservation for 26 years. Ann's passion for environmental education is evident through her programming efforts at JCC, volunteer work, and willingness to support young environmental education professionals. She has found ways to partner with local conservation groups, state organizations, and federal agencies to expand her educational programming. Ann is always looking for new ideas, sharing her ideas with others, and working to ensure environmental education continues to thrive in the State of Iowa. In the 2011 fiscal year alone, Ann reached 5,562 people through her programming efforts.

*Pictured:
Ann Burns
receives award
at IACCBE
Winterfest in
January.*





Jackson County Conservation 2012 Summer Day Camps



3-day Hurstville Center Camps:

Explorer Camp *Theme: Growing up Wild*

Tues – Thurs June 19, 20, 21 from 9:00 – 2:00

At the Hurstville Interpretive Center, Maquoketa

For those entering Kdg-1st grade next fall; Cost: \$35

*Participants will enjoy games and activities to learn more about our natural world. **See below*



Ranger Camp *Theme: Exploring our Resources*

Tues – Thurs June 26, 27, 28 from 9:00 – 2:00

At the Hurstville Interpretive Center, Maquoketa

For youth entering 2nd–4th grade next fall; Cost: \$35

*Participants will enjoy games and activities to learn more about Iowa's natural resources—from plants and animals to prairies and marshes. **See below*

Adventure Camp *Theme: Recreating Outdoors*

Tuesday July 17 from 9:00—3:00 & Wednesday July 18 at 9:00 am —Thursday July 19 at 11:00 am (overnight)

At Hurstville Center & Buzzard Ridge Wildlife Area

For youth entering 5th–9th grade next fall

Cost: \$75 per youth

Participants will enjoy outdoor recreation activities such as canoeing, kayaking, orienteering, geocaching, hiking, outdoor cooking, camping and more!

*** NEW this year—Maquoketa Art Experience is providing 1 hour of nature art related activities.*

1-day City Nature Camps:

Andrew Camp: Tuesday July 10 at Andrew City Park

Bellevue Camp: Thursday July 12 at Cole Park

Sabula Camp: Tuesday July 24 at South Sabula Lakes Park

Miles Camp: Thursday July 26 at Miles City Park

Preston Camp: Tuesday July 31 at Twogood Park

Maquoketa Camp: Tuesday August 7 at Horseshoe Pond

- All city camps run from 9:00 am—Noon
- For youth entering Kdg-6th grade next fall
- Cost: \$5 per child
- Youth will have fun with nature related activities!

Youth are welcome to sign up for more than one of our 1-day city nature camps but note that activities will be repeated.

- ◆ Registration and payment is due by Friday before camp starts. Max number is 20 kids per camp; camps fill up so sign up early. No late registrations will be taken.
- ◆ You do not have to be a resident of the town to attend a camp in that town—anyone is welcome to any camp!
- ◆ Cost includes all materials, activity fees and snack/drink (lunch provided for camps going past noon)
- ◆ Thanks to donations, financial assistance is available, please contact us for information on scholarships.
- ◆ Camp will be cancelled in the event of severe weather; makeup date is Friday of the same week.

Registration Form

Youth Name _____

Youth Age _____ Grade entering Fall 2012 _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Parent Contact # (day) _____

2nd Contact # (day) _____

Special Health Considerations (allergies, current meds, etc): _____

Camp Attending (please circle all that apply):

Explorer Camp Ranger Camp Adventure Camp

Andrew Camp Bellevue Camp Miles Camp

Maquoketa Camp Preston Camp Sabula Camp

I give permission for my child to attend day camp with Jackson County Conservation. I agree to pick up my child if the staff does not feel my child is abiding by the guidelines. I also understand in case of serious injury or illness, I will be notified, but if it is impossible to contact me, I give my permission for emergency treatment as recommended by the attending physician. I give permission for my child to have her/his picture taken, used for news releases and reports. If part of the camp takes place in other locations, I give permission for the staff (or chaperones) to transport my child.

Please Check One Yes No

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Payment Method: (circle one) **Cash or Check**
(Make checks payable to Friends of JCCB)

Total Enclosed: _____

Return registration form and payment to:

Jackson County Conservation
18670 63rd St
Maquoketa, IA 52060

Winter Activities with Jackson County Conservation



Ann gives East Central preschoolers a tour of the snake exhibit during a field trip this winter and the students really enjoy seeing the live snakes!

Youth enjoyed making bird houses and a number of fun activities at our annual winter overnight event.



Jen was greeted with this message when visiting Sacred Heart School!



Elaina enjoys holding the black rat snake at a public program.

In 2011... 8,167 people visited the Hurstville Interpretive Center and **207** volunteers gave more than **2,700** hours of their time to Jackson County Conservation!

Check us out on Facebook!

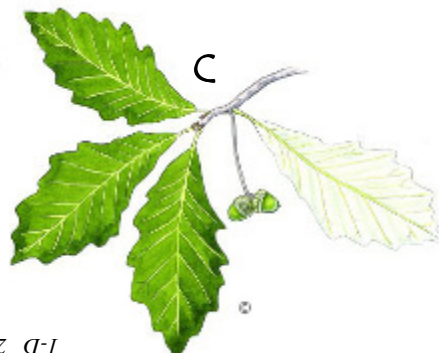
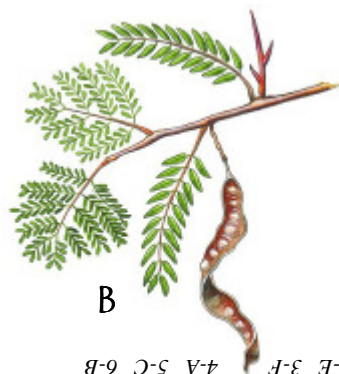
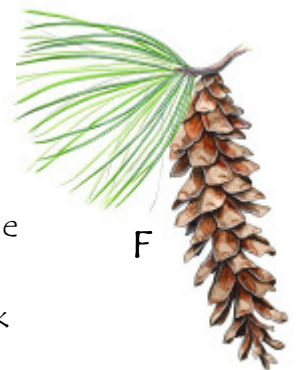
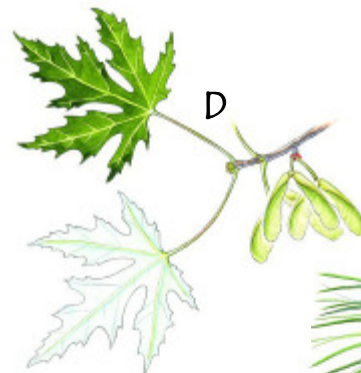
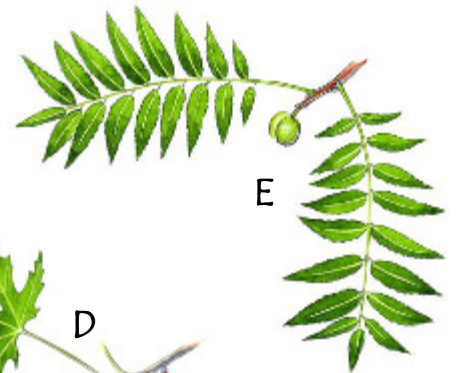
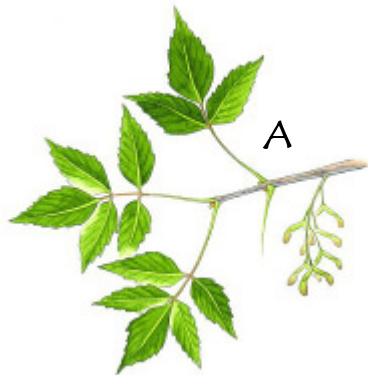
Stay up to date with upcoming programs, view photos from events, hear about cool wildlife sightings and read other nature related info & news!
www.facebook.com/pages/Hurstville-Interpretive-Center/91778867346



Kid's Corner

Test your Tree IQ !!

Match the names of the trees listed below with the pictures of the leaves and seeds. Answers at bottom of page. Get out a tree guide book if you need help!



1. Silver Maple
2. Black Walnut
3. Eastern White Pine
4. Boxelder
5. Swamp White Oak
6. Honeylocust

1-D 2-E 3-F 4-A 5-C 6-B



Friends of Jackson County Conservation



Mark your calendars for the Friends annual Soup Supper Fundraiser *Sunday April 1 No Fooling!*

Grand Teton Photography Adventure at 3:00 pm *Presented by Chris Cornelius*

Join us for an engaging presentation about The Murie Center and the photography workshop they sponsor at Grand Teton National Park that Chris attended this past year. And enjoy some of Chris' own photography work!

Soup Supper served from 4:30—6:30 pm

A delicious spread of chili and potato soups, sandwiches, veggies, desserts and beverages. Receive a 50 cent discount if you bring your own reusable table service (to cut back on waste generated)!

Silent Auction from 2:00—6:00 pm

A wonderful array of baskets and unique items. Something for everyone!

Tickets: \$7 adults (\$6 in advance); \$5 kids 5-10 yrs old (\$4 advance); 4 & Under Free

All proceeds benefit the Hurstville Outdoor Makeover project and environmental and conservation education in Jackson County!

Invite your friends and family to this great event and support Friends of JCC!

Volunteers and Donors Needed

As you many know, the annual soup supper fundraiser would not be possible without the many people who contribute their time and goods for the event each year!!! The soup supper committee is in need of the following things:

- ♦ Volunteers to help at the event April 1. Tasks include setting up, serving food, clean-up, silent auction and ticket taker (multiple shift times for jobs)
- ♦ Silent auction items. Donations to the silent auction can include gift baskets, household items, gift certificates, wall hangings, baked goods, etc...
- ♦ Food donations. Soup, dessert, veggies, beverages, bread, condiments, etc..

If you are interested in assisting us with any of the above, call 652-3783 or email friends@jacksonccb.com.

Native Plant Sale

Prairie plants are finding their way back into our landscape, not only on public lands, but in gardens and yards. Native species are already well adapted to the soil and climate in Iowa and provide biodiversity to attract wildlife.

To promote planting native prairie plants and make it easier for you to get them, we are holding a native plant sale. Order beautiful native grasses and flowers and support Friends of Jackson County Conservation. All funds raised from this plant sale will benefit the Hurstville Outdoor Makeover project.

Listed in the table are nine common prairie plants of our area. Cost is \$1.75 per plug (plugs are approximately 1.25" wide and 3" deep). Pick up an order form at the Hurstville Interpretive Center or download one from our website, www.jacksonccb.com.

Order deadline is Monday April 2nd at 4:00 PM.

<i>Common Name</i>	<i>Color</i>	<i>Bloom</i>	<i>Height</i>
Indian Grass	<i>(grass)</i>	Sept - Oct	3-6'
Little Bluestem	<i>(grass)</i>	Sept - Oct	2-3'
Black-eyed Susan	Yellow	June - Sept	1-3'
Swamp Milkweed	Red	June - Aug	3-6'
Cardinal Flower	Red	June - Aug	1-4'
Prairie Blazingstar	Purple	July - Oct	2-4'
Prairie Coreopsis	Yellow	July - Aug	1-3'
Purple Coneflower	Purple	June - Aug	2-3'
Foxglove Beardtongue	Pale Pink	May - June	2-3'

Next Friends Business Meeting

**Tuesday April 10 at 7:00 pm
Hurstville Interpretive Center**

Interested in supporting and assisting the Jackson County Conservation Board? Join Friends in planning projects and events. All interested parties are welcome!

Potluck from 6:00—7:00 pm: Beverages and table service provided; bring a dish to share. Enjoy socializing with other Friends members!

The Friends group meets quarterly the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. Mark your calendars for upcoming meeting dates: *June 12 & October 9.*



A Special Thank You!

Jackson County Conservation would like to thank and acknowledge the following individuals, clubs, and businesses for their continued support and donations. With their help, we have been able to do so much more!

Volunteered at Hurstville Interpretive Center—Hilary Markin, Chris Cornelius, Ben Wagner, Jeanne Hoesley, John Hoesley, Wendy Hainstock, Bill Hainstock, Margo Sprenger, Barb McCray, Peg Miller, Margaret McCarthy, Mary Hayward, Karen Krueger, Bel Tubbs, Karen Manning, Kathi Lauricha, Dave Lauricha, Helen Stewert, Mary Mether

Volunteered at Weber Park—Kim Wahl

Helped with Iowans out West Series—Nate Johnson, Hilary Markin, Diane Kuhlman, Margaret McCarthy, Margo Sprenger, Karen Manning, Bill Hainstock, Wendy Hainstock, Chris Cornelius, Barb McCray, JoEllen Langerman, Clayton Pederson, Bear Creek Catering, Kevin Burns, Caroline Cueno Bybee, Jane Bentrott, Holly Parmer, Barb Petaska, Karen Steffen, Curt Kemmerer, Carolyn Ecker, Mary Nevans Pederson, Mary Hayward, Pam True, Deb Lane, Karen Krueger, Jeanne Hoesley, Pete Cueno

Helped with Dubuque Bald Eagle Watch—Dave Lauricha, Dawn Cartensen, Regan Small, Maggie Cartensen, Jeannie Hoesley, Mary Hayward

Helped with Programs—Nate Johnson, Curt Kemmerer, Bob Walton, Karen Manning, Bel Tubbs, Pete Cueno

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Jackson County Conservation Board

Board Members

Rick Small	Bernard
Jerry Millwright	La Motte
Anne Hawks	Maquoketa
Steve Flynn	Maquoketa
Chris Cornelius	Bellevue

The Jackson County Conservation Board meets in regular session the third Tuesday of every month at 5:00 PM (sometimes vary). Meetings are held at the Hurstville Interpretive Center. The public is welcome to attend.

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Donations made in memory of/or in honor of:

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Claire Reistroffer	Stanley & Lina Hale
Glen Woods	Catherine Schroeder



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No Admission Fee!

Holidays:

Closed Easter Weekend Apr 7-8
Open Memorial Day May 28
Open Independence Day July 4

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Positions Available with JCCB

JCCB is hiring 2 summer conservation workers and 1 volunteer education intern. Deadline for conservation workers is March 30 and March 23 for volunteer education intern. Job descriptions and applications available from our office and online at www.jacksonccb.com/employment.

2012 Camping Season!

Spruce Creek Park & South Sabula Lake Park



will open for the 2012 camping season on Monday April 2 and water will be turned on April 16. **Dates depend on weather conditions and water levels.** Camping fees are \$16 per night for gravel sites and \$19 per night for paved sites. Amenities include electricity, wireless internet, restrooms, showers, picnic shelter and playground.

Joinerville Park is open for day use year-round. A special use permit is required for overnight camping. Campers must provide their own bathroom. Contact the conservation office for details on the special use permit.

Duck Creek Park, Buzzard Ridge, and Ozark Wildlife Area

offer primitive tent-only camping.

For more information about our parks, visit our website at www.MyCountyParks.com/County/Jackson.aspx.

Receive 1 FREE night of camping

When you camp Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, receive Monday night FREE! This special runs prior to Memorial Day weekend and after Labor Day weekend.