

Webster County Conservation 2016 Public Outdoor Events

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**All programs are free unless otherwise noted.

Site locations:

Kennedy Park — located 5 miles north of Fort Dodge on Nelson Ave. **1415 Nelson Ave.**

WaNoKi — located about 1 mile east of Coalville. Take 235th St. to WaNoKi Road **2401 WaNoKi Road**

Skillet Creek Indian Mounds — located 5 miles SE of Dayton. Take Hwy 175 to River Rd. to Skillet Creek Ave.

Brushy Creek SRA — located 4 miles east of Lehigh / 4 miles south of Duncombe

Dolliver Park — located 3 miles NW of Lehigh

Feb. 26 Call of the Wild fundraiser

6:00 pm Willow Ridge restaurant

Feb. 27 Private Lands Workshop

3:00 pm Brushy Creek PRC

Learn from habitat experts about ways to manage land for a healthy ecosystem and habitat enhancement.

March Moonlight Hike & Owl

Prowl

6:30 pm WaNoKi

Hike the WaNoKi area, learn about night vision, search for animal tracks, listen for owls, and savor the beautiful stars.

April 2 Maple Syrup Festival

12:30 — 4 WaNoKi

Learn how to make maple syrup from trees sap. Take a guided hike thru this new property at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00.

April 16 Hy-Vee Half Marathon

FD to Kennedy Park

Challenge yourself to a half marathon from FD to Kennedy Park or run a 5K at the park.

April 15 Campground OPENS

Kennedy Park per night rates are: \$20 for full hook-up; \$16 for electric site; \$12 for primitive site.

April Earth Day Event

May 8 Mother's Day Hike

3:00 pm WaNoKi

Enjoy a nice outdoor hike with a special person at the

May 21 Big Day Bird Count

Am Kennedy Park

May 21 Paddle Dolliver to Lehigh

5:30 pm

Call Erin for reservations or more information

May 21 Night Paddling

8:30 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp

Canoes with lights will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. Lights required on vessels you bring

May 28 Bill Jamerson CCC program

11am Dolliver Park center lodge

A fun, nostalgic look at the 1930's Federal Works Program with stories, songs, and a short video.

June 20 Night Paddling

8:30 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp

Canoes with lights will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. Lights required on vessels you bring.

June 4 Fishing Derby

9 — 11 am Brushy Creek fish pier

For beginners with a parent. Meet at fish pier point. Equipment, bait, and lunch provided.

June 3,4,5 Free Fishing Weekend

June 11 & 12 3-D Archery Shoot

8 -3 Sat., 8-1 Sun. Kennedy Park

Join the Webster Co. Bowhunters & Archery Assoc. for 3-D marksmanship. \$12/shooter.

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June 23 Open Paddling

5—8 pm Kennedy Park boat ramp
Paddleboards and kayaks will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. No charge and no reservation.

June 25 No Woman Left Inside

Brushy Creek PRC
For women wanting to learn outdoor skills. Call for details.

June 28 SUP (Stand Up Paddleboard)

5:30—6:30 pm Kennedy Park **FUL;L**

July 2 Spirit of Chautauqua

7:00 pm Veteran's Memorial Park
A tribute to the lively Chautauqua music festivals that once roamed Iowa's landscape. Amphitheater seating at Vet's Park (Kennedy Park) or bring your own chair.

June 28 Owl Prowl

8:30 pm Dollver Park Copperas Beds trail
Learn what owls live around us and try calling them in while strolling about in the dark.

July 7 Open Paddling

5—8 pm Kennedy Park boat ramp
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July 9 & 10 3-D Archery Shoot

8 -3 Sat., 8-1 Sun. Kennedy Park
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July 18, 19, 21 Hunter Safety

5:30—9 pm Kennedy Park's Heun shelter
Register online at <http://reservations1.usedirect.com/iowaWeb/>. Then stop at Iowa Outdoor Store in Fort Dodge to get the hunter safety manual.

July 22 Night Paddling

9:00 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp
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July 26 SUP (Stand Up Paddleboard)

Aug. 12 & 13 Dragon Boat Bash

Time TBA Badger Lake, Kennedy Park
Sponsored by Badger Lake Dragon Boat Association.

Aug. 19 Night Paddling

8:00 pm Brushy Creek, south boat ramp
Canoes with lights will be provided on a first come, first serve basis. Lights required on vessels you bring.

Aug. 26 National Parks movie

8:00 pm Veteran's Memorial Park
Enjoy a movie on the big outdoor screen and see awe-some footage of majestic parks across the nation.

Aug. 27 Stewardship Saturday

9-11 am Kennedy Park
Lend a hand to the land, make improvements, and share this valuable need with tomorrow's youth.

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Aug. 30 Owl Prowl

8:00 pm Dollver Park center lodge
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Oct. 2 Fall Park Festival

3—6 pm Kennedy Park
Enjoy outdoor skills such as bb gun shooting, archery, atlatl throwing, canoeing, kayaking, geo-caching, etc.

Oct. 8 Equestrian Poker Ride

9—3 pm Brushy Creek SRA
Reg.\$15 Proceeds going to hitching rail improvements.

Oct. 15 Young Guns Field Day

Oct. 15 Campground CLOSSES

Oct. 19 Hunter Safety

6 — 9 pm on-line field day Kennedy Park
Approved online hunter safety course must be completed and Certificate of Completion printed. Register at the

River Paddle Trips To be determined.....

Join others on a trip down the Des Moines River or Lizard Creek. Please email khan-sen@webstercountyia.org to be added to the list of interested participants.

Volunteer Work Days 9-11am various Web. Co. natural areas

July 9 Aug. 27 Sept. 24

Join our group of lively volunteers working on the land and seeing some of the county's natural areas. Examples: clearing bushes and small trees from prairie, pulling invasive garlic mustard and sweet clover from the prairie remnants. Pencil in the dates and send an email to: khan-sen@webstercountyia.org or call Karen at 576-4258 for more details.

Stand Up Paddle boarding (SUP) classes at Kennedy Park 5:30—6:30 pm

Class size limited. Call to reserve a spot.

June 28 July 26 Aug. 30

Participants will learn the basics of Stand Up Paddleboarding including gear overview, paddle and launch techniques as well as general safety instruction. Paddleboards, paddles, leashes, and PFDS will be provided. Age +12 (under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian) Must call to reserve a spot 515-576-4258.

SUP & Kayak open session—informal instruction at Kennedy Park 5-8 pm

No reservation needed. First come, first serve.

June 23 July 7 Aug. 11

Young Guns 6-8 pm

Registration required

June 21 — Pellet Guns July 12 — Archery Aug. 9 — .22's
Sept. 13 — Shotguns Oct. 15— Field Day Oct. 22 — Youth Hunt

A partnership with Webster County Pheasants Forever, Webster County Conservation, and the Iowa DNR to provide youth and families the opportunity to be introduced to, and enjoy a variety of shooting sports and outdoor skills in a safe and fun environment. Mark the dates on your calendar and e-mail or call Erin at eford@webstercountyia.org or 515-576-4258 for class descriptions and more details.