



DCCS Newsletter

Dubuque County Conservation Society
 “Organized in 1933 for Protection of Soil, Forests, Waters and Wildlife”
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He who plants trees loves others besides himself. ~ Thomas Fuller

World Migratory Bird Day is officially celebrated on the second Saturday in May (May 9th in 2026) as migratory birds journey to nesting sites and on the second Saturday in October (October 10th in 2026) as they return to wintering areas. Because birds do not all migrate at the same time and to provide the opportunity to observe birds on stopover sites as they journey, however, we encourage you to celebrate when the timing is best at your location. WMBD programs and events are hosted nearly every month of the year.

Every day is Bird Day! [When is WMBD? - World Migratory Bird Day](https://www.migratorybirdday.org/when-is-wmbd/) <https://www.migratorybirdday.org/when-is-wmbd/>



Should you add water to your backyard for wildlife? - The simple answer is YES!

Just like us, birds, butterflies, frogs, dragonflies – they all need water too. So, installing water is a win-win for us and wildlife. Birds are attracted to the sound of running water so including a moving water feature in your yard will help them find the water source. Many wildlife such as dragonflies and amphibians like frogs and toads depend on water for a portion of their life cycle and can use a permanent yard water feature.

For us, providing a water source for birds and other wildlife brings great joy. Water is a wildlife attractant and with a little care and planning, a water feature brings wildlife to you!

While there are many benefits to adding a backyard water feature, there are a few things to consider when deciding whether you want to join the trend.

Fountain or Kit

They are easy to install and maintain on your own, but often relatively small and can be overlooked in a larger yard.

Pond

A pond is larger, easier to see, can be shaped and sized exactly as you want it to look, and can be easily kept open in the winter, but you need to keep an eye on it to make sure the water level stays high enough so the pump isn't damaged and it can be more difficult to combat mosquitoes.

Pond-less Stream

You will need a rubber liner for the water to flow on and it needs to be deep enough on the lower end to house the pump which pushes the water back up to the top of the waterfall so water is always circulating. The liner could spring a leak but a pond-less stream will help avoid the mosquito issue and the birds especially love the moving water!

It's good to start small before "diving in too deep". Maybe add a pedestal bird bath while planning for a larger project.

Beginning with this and future issues we might be including an article written by Ken Resch who is a Master Gardener and family man who is concerned about the environment. He and his wife, Christine, who now live in Missouri, recently celebrated their 57th anniversary. They have 3 children and 11 grandchildren. He was an educator for more than 40 years with 37 of those years as an English teacher at Dubuque Hempstead High School. During 25 of those years he also owned a successful landscaping company for which he routinely hired his junior and senior students. Ken writes for the Golden View.

What Legacy will We Leave? By Ken Resch

I know my reading audience. My grandchildren do not read the Golden View; neither do most of the teachers I left behind at retirement. The people who encounter me in public and say: "Hey, aren't you the guy. . ." are my age or older. Yes, I know you because we are much the same. We are of an age, many have grandchildren (some have greats), and since you read my column, we all like nature, flowers and gardening. As summer unfolds, I'm asking this one question: "What legacy will you leave for the children of the future?" A future we will not see but one for which we have responsibility.

I care not for anyone's political bent, but I do care that we have the most anti-environment administration in our nation's history. We may bring change at the ballot box, but there is much we can and must do now. The earth is deeply wounded and it's our place to help with any healing possible. Folk-singer, activist and environmentalist Pete Seeger said: "If it can't be reduced, reused, repaired, rebuilt, refurbished, refinished, resold, recycled or composted, then it should be restricted, redesigned or removed from production." We must make a promise in 2026 to bring his words to fruition and become activists for the earth.

If you do not have a compost area—be it a pile, a container or burying organic material in the yard—this is the year to start. There are hundreds of articles on the internet, but this link <https://www.finegardening.com/article/6-ways-to-make-great-compost> will take you to one in Fine Gardening titled "6 ways to make great compost." You'll discover many food scraps are compostable including baked goods, coffee grounds, pet fur, paper bags and even greasy pizza boxes! Never compost animal waste, meat, fish, dairy, bones or wood ashes.

In addition to establishing a compost area, consider other ways to help the environment. Reduce your need for plastic bags as giving up plastic is fundamental to healing the earth. Next, keep a box in the garage and put every piece of aluminum—from used foil to pie pans—into it; in fact, put any metal you think you'll toss into the landfill into the box. When it's full, drive out to Alter Scrap on Old Highway Rd (1/2-mile W of Seippel Rd). They are the epitome of reducing, reusing, and recycling and when I lived in Dubuque I visited there about every six weeks. Did I make a lot of money? Well, my high has been \$11.00; my personal satisfaction—Priceless!

Now we need to consider a few more of Seeger's ideas: repair, rebuild, refurbish, refinish, and resell. Look around at all you may have gathered and decide 2026 is the year you find new homes for much of your accumulation. I recycled about 100+ board feet of outdoor lumber and gave it to a construction group. I also took 30 bags of fertilizer headed for the landfill because they were damaged and sold them cheap. My point is: let's start with the easy ideas and help reduce what we send to the landfill. The future earth must not become a garbage dump while humanity flies off to other planets. This must be our legacy for generations we'll never know: "We made a difference; we cared for and loved the earth."

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*Native plants, those that are historically and naturally found in Iowa, provide more nutrients and higher quality calories for birds. Learn more about native Iowa plants for birds here. <https://bfiowa.org/Landscaping.aspx>?
Tip: Oak trees support a higher number and diversity of caterpillars than any other type of tree. Many birds feed their young a caterpillar-rich diet to help them grow, so planting just one oak can really make a difference for birds in your yard! If you have the right environment in your landscape the squirrels will plant them for you.*

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Free Gardening Webinars! Melinda Myers <info@melindamyers.com>

Adding Native Plants to Any Size Gardening Space - May 6, 6:30 p.m. CT

Whether gardening on a balcony, small city lot or larger space, I will help you select the right native plants to include in gardens and containers. Including native plants provides many benefits such as capturing and helping clean and manage stormwater and supporting pollinators and other beneficial insects and songbirds. They add enjoyment and seasonal beauty to your landscape. Growing even a few native plants in a container can help support pollinators and songbirds and boost your enjoyment.

The webinar is free, but registration is required. [Register here](#)

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_O15Rix3EQW-ChFBGBMPJ2Q#/registration Sponsored by [We Energies](#)

Managing Your Landscape with Pollinators in Mind - June 3, 6:30 p.m. CT

You can have a landscape that you and the pollinators will enjoy with a few changes to your garden and landscape maintenance. We'll cover pollinator-friendly plant care to keep your containers, gardens and landscape healthy and

looking its best throughout the year. Then we'll explore ways to manage weeds, diseases and insect pests without chemicals that are harmful to your plants and visiting pollinators.

The webinar is free, but registration is required. [Register here](#)

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Fawning season traditionally begins during the last week of May and peaks in the first couple of weeks in June before gradually tapering off which means lowans will see lots of deer on the move during that time.

DNR field staff across the state will receive many phone calls and emails regarding "abandoned deer." But in reality, most of the wildlife reported to DNR field staff are not really abandoned at all. And while the people who attempt to "rescue" these babies have the best of intentions, they are doing more harm than good. Jim Coffey, forest wildlife research biologist with the Iowa DNR said. "The worst thing someone can do at this stage is to 'rescue' the fawn. The mother is likely nearby and watching you. Leave it be, or if you did handle the fawn, return it to where you found it and walk away."

Fawning season also coincides with an increase in deer vehicle collisions.

"There is a lot of movement this time of year that relates to the social structure of deer. The doe is on the move looking for the safe isolated place to have the fawns. Additional movement comes from last year's fawns that are now isolated teenagers starting to venture out to find new space. These yearlings have to make their own decisions for the first time, encounter other adult deer and build new social structures," Coffey said. "This movement behavior can occur during all times of the day. Once it settles out, the active movement time will return to dawn and dusk.

"The key to remember is stay alert while driving at any time of the day." Drivers are reminded to drive defensively, avoid distractions, slow down, and provide safe distance between vehicles.

Don't veer for deer! If a driver does hit a deer, drivers can get a salvage tag for the meat by calling either the local conservation officer or local law enforcement agency. The salvage tag is free and is required to legally possess the meat. Salvaging requires that the entire deer be removed from the roadway.

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Iowa's popular spring turkey hunting seasons only a few weeks away

Once easily visible in large winter flocks scratching in picked crop fields along timber edges for waste grain, Iowa's wild turkeys will seemingly disappear into the landscape as the days lengthen and temperatures warm. Considered a woodland species, turkeys can be found in grasslands, field edges and other places you don't expect to see them.

Driven by instinct, males will begin calling, displaying and competing against other males for the attention of the hens as part of the annual breeding season. Then in steps the turkey hunter – who tries to mimic the hens and frustrate the toms (mature) and jakes (one-year old male's) to the point of investigating why she is not responding to his calls.

Iowa's spring turkey hunting offers four split seasons, where hunters may choose up to two seasons, with at least one being season four. Seasons spread out hunting pressure to provide positive experience. Surveys indicate that hunter satisfaction is highest when they do not run into another hunter while hunting and when they hear a lot of gobbling.

Now is a good time to go through the equipment and gear to make sure it still works and fits, and to practice calling. "Spring weather is finicky – it could be in the 70s or snowing," Coffey said. "And just a reminder, it will be tick season."

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Hunting safety reminder

Hunters should write out their hunting plan that identifies the hunt location, who's on the hunt and outlines their role, describes how the hunt will unfold and when the hunters are expected to return home. Hunters are encouraged to leave a copy of the plan with someone or somewhere easy to find, in the event of an emergency.

Hunters are reminded to avoid wearing patriotic colors – red, white and blue – that are colors found on a male turkey head and waddle, and to not shoot at movement. Identify the target and what's beyond it, especially with the new loads that have increased range.

If another hunter walks in to your area, Jim Coffey said remain still and say in a clear voice 'Hunter over here.' "The person should turn and walk directly away," he said. "There are plenty of birds – be mindful of other hunters out there – they're out there to have fun too," he said.

Those who harvest a bird are required to report their harvest through the harvest reporting system. It is essential and mandatory to report the bird, which helps the DNR with management.

Youth season is designed to be a mentoring experience, teaching the youth about turkey hunting and building skills, like learning how to call. Youth-only – residents only, age 15 and younger - April 10-12

Seasons

- Season 1 – April 13-16
- Season 2 – April 17-21
- Season 3 – April 22-28
- Season 4 – April 29 – May 17

Media Contact: Jim Coffey, Forest Wildlife Research Biologist, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 515-979-8033.

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Physical activity is key to keeping our hearts healthy and strong.

Walking or biking in nature is a great start to a more active lifestyle.

A healthy tree can lead to a healthy you and me. Spending time near trees where you live, work and play can help you feel happy and relaxed, and boost your mood and immune system. Neighborhood trees can reduce stress, lower blood pressure and heart rate, help alleviate symptoms of depression and anxiety, and encourage physical activity.

Get motivated to get going on your journey to a healthier heart with [heart-healthy steps](https://hearthealthysteps.org/about/) from the Million Hearts® initiative and CDC Foundation. <https://hearthealthysteps.org/about/>

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March update from Dubuque Trees Forever - Laura Roussell, Executive Director

If you missed the fruit tree pruning workshop in February, don't worry. We will have another one in late June.

We have several tree planting opportunities coming up in April and May. Sign up on our website <https://www.dubuquetreesforever.org/get-involved>

I'm looking for a high school or college sports team to help move some donated used bricks from the arboretum to our orchard. We will form a human chain to load and unload from our trailer at a time convenient for you.

We will also have lots of other opportunities for work days and projects at our neighborhood orchard. Watch our [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=dubuque%20trees%20forever) page for upcoming activities. <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=dubuque%20trees%20forever>

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May Beetle aka June bugs

May beetle larvae, also known as white grubs, are the most damaging life stage of the insect. They primarily feed on plant roots, especially grasses, disrupting the uptake and transport of water and nutrients.

Adults are most active just before and after sunset in May or June, and they are attracted to lights. Eggs are laid, and hatch in June to early July. The larvae feed on grass, broadleaf weed, tree and shrub roots, and mature in the soil. Unlike the other white grub pests which only have one generation per year, May or June beetle grubs require 2 or 3 years in the soil to fully develop. Michigan State University



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Iowa Wildlife Action Plan. Over the past twenty years, Iowans have been implementing conservation actions outlined in the Iowa Wildlife Action Plan, such as conducting wildlife research and monitoring, improving habitat, and educating others about the fascinating lives of Iowa's wildlife.

Iowa's Plan is Updated for Next 10 Years. The 2025 Plan which outlines six aspirational Visions for Iowa has been submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and is currently undergoing the review process. This comprehensive review and revision of Iowa's Plan would not have been possible without the contributions of many dedicated experts across the state.

State Wildlife Action Plans outline the steps that are needed to conserve wildlife and habitat before they become too rare or costly to restore. Taken as a whole, these proactive plans present a national action agenda for preventing wildlife from becoming endangered. Investing in cost-effective conservation will safeguard Iowa's natural resources for future generations.

To learn more about the protected species and view pictures or to provide input go to:

<https://www.iowadnr.gov/programs-services/iowas-wildlife/wildlife-action-plan?>

Could we face a future of electricity and water shortages.

When viewing information from the Iowa DNR, it was shocking to learn about the massive amounts of groundwater that Ethanol plants use. They aren't the only businesses that use excessive amounts of water. Data Centers are also on the list. Water usage isn't the only issue that should concern us. Electric usage is also beyond our comprehension. Extreme quantities of resources are used by Google/Meta and other AI businesses, which are used for research.

Data Centers Electric Usage

Data centers typically require significant electricity, ranging from 500 kW to over 100 MW, depending on their size and operational needs. In this area a typical family of six uses 600 to 750 kWh per month depending on the season.

What is the charge for Regional Transmission Service, which accounts for over 28% of our (Alliant) power bill used for? Are the high voltage power lines which transfer power generated in Iowa to other locations being used for data centers?

Small Data Centers: These facilities generally require between 500 kW to 2 MW of electricity at any given moment. Over a year, they can consume between 4,380 to 17,520 MWh. Small data centers often serve small businesses and account for about half of all servers.

Large Data Centers: In contrast, large-scale data centers can demand 100 MW or more at any moment. If operating at full capacity continuously, a large data center could use approximately 8.7 TWh annually.

Data Centers currently consume about 4.4% of total U.S. electricity, with projections indicating this could rise to between 6.7% and 12% by 2028 due to increasing demand from AI and other technologies.

<https://www.energy.gov/articles/doe-releases-new-report-evaluating-increase-electricity-demand-data-centers>

Current Consumption and Trends

- In 2023, data centers consumed approximately 176 terawatt-hours (TWh) of electricity in the U.S., a significant increase from 58 TWh in 2014. This consumption is expected to grow to between 325 TWh and 580 TWh by 2028.
- Globally, data centers consumed 460 TWh in 2022, and this figure could exceed 1,000 TWh by 2026, driven by the rise of power-intensive workloads such as artificial intelligence (AI) and cryptocurrency mining.
- By 2050, electricity consumed for commercial computing, which includes data centers, is projected to grow from 8% of commercial sector electricity consumption in 2024 to 20%.

Data Center Water Usage

"These are very hot processors," Mark Mills of the National Center for Energy Analytics testified before Congress back in April. "It takes a lot of water to cool them down."

- Many centers use evaporative cooling systems, where water absorbs heat and evaporates - similar to how sweat wicks away heat from our bodies. On hot days, a single facility can use millions of gallons.
- One study estimates that AI-driven data centers could consume 1.7 trillion gallons of water globally by 2027.

Read about the issues experienced by a Georgia resident who lives near a data center. ['I can't drink the water' - life next to a US data center](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cy8gy7lv448o) (https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cy8gy7lv448o)

Iowa Water Use Permits

Use Permits for Review - February 5 Iowa DNR EcoNewsWire

Find permit document details at: www.iowadnr.gov/waterusepermits

Dickinson County - Superior Ethanol LLC (Green Plains Renewable Energy, Inc.), PO BOX 138, Superior, IA 51363
Log No. 34,258

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 455B, there is now on file with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Water Supply Engineering Section, 6200 Park Avenue, Suite "200" Des Moines, Iowa 50321, an application as described below.

Tod Smith, on behalf of Green Plains Superior Ethanol, requests a permit authorizing withdrawal of water from two existing and one proposed Cretaceous Dakota Sandstone aquifer wells: 14 inches in diameter, about 575 feet deep, on land generally described as the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 34, T100N, R35W, Dickinson County, Iowa, in **the maximum quantity of 422.0 million gallons per year at a maximum rate of 960 gallons per minute**, withdrawals being throughout each year for general industrial (ethanol production)-type use on the above-described property.

The only change to the existing permit is the addition of a new Cretaceous Dakota Sandstone well, as described above, for purposes of redundancy and operational flexibility.

The Department has determined that these uses of water conform to the relevant criteria (Iowa Code Chapter 455B and

Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 567) and recommends the permits be granted.

A copy of the summary report is available upon request to the Water Quality Bureau at wateruse@dnr.iowa.gov.

Water Usage Closer to Home January 29, 2026 - Iowa DNR EcoNewsWire

River City Stone (Weber Quarry) requests to modify an existing water use permit (No. 9834-R1), authorizing to withdraw water from an existing quarry known locally as the Weber Quarry, located on land generally described as the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 32, T89N, R02E, Dubuque County, Iowa, in **the maximum quantity of 600 million gallons per year at a maximum rate of 2000 gallons per minute** throughout each year for general dewatering and material production purposes at the Weber Quarry on said land and property. The current permit allows for a maximum quantity of 250 million gallons per year.

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Land donors honored during reception at the State Capitol in Des Moines

DES MOINES, Iowa – More than 3,200 acres of Iowa land in 22 counties with an estimated value of more than \$11 million was permanently protected through donations for conservation. The donors associated with 26 donations of land or land value were recognized during a ceremony on March 24, in the first floor rotunda.

Landowners who were in attendance were honored individually for their donation. www.iowadnr.gov/landdonors.

Media Contact: Whitney Schuhardt, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 515-250-3617.

The properties, most of which were donated to the Iowa National Heritage Foundation (INHF) ranged from 7 acres up to 280 acres. The Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation conveyed six properties totaling 2,523 acres of land to the State of Iowa at below market value prices. These land projects were located in five counties and valued around \$4.2 million of donated land value.

There were two properties donated to County Conservation boards, one of them in Dubuque County.

Henry and Patricia Strathman lived and farmed this 52 acre property bordering the historic Heritage Trail in Dubuque County. Henry and his family wanted to honor their father L.C. Strathman by donating their property to the Dubuque County Conservation Board.

In February of 2025, Henry and Patricia donated their property so everyone would have the opportunity to enjoy the scenic property. The Dubuque County Conservation Board worked with the Iowa DNR Forester and developed a forest stewardship plan for the picturesque property that overlooks the Heritage Trail and Little Maquoketa River.

In the spring of 2027, 4,200 trees will be planted to provide critical habitat on the property.

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[The Driftless Land - Kevin's Nature Blog](https://www.kevinkochdriftlessland.net/kevins-nature-blog) <https://www.kevinkochdriftlessland.net/kevins-nature-blog>

Author's welcome: For many years, my writing has focused on a sense of place, the intersection of people with the landscape, here in my native Dubuque County, Iowa, as well as more broadly in the Driftless Area, that hilly and rugged region of the Upper Mississippi Valley that was bypassed by the glaciers. In more recent years, I have added a sense of place in Ireland to my writing repertoire, based on time spent teaching and travelling there. Increasingly, my sense of place is tied to my belief that all land is sacred.

The landscape is full of stories, from geologic beginnings to early human inhabitants, to cultures thriving and displaced, to contemporary tales of destruction and preservation.

It is the writer's task to awaken the stories from the land.

Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation (JD CF) member and freelance writer, Kevin Koch, spent a morning at Big Sky Nature Reserve last fall, then wrote about his experience on their biggest preserve in an article that was recently featured in the *Dubuque Telegraph Herald*. Kevin also posted it to his nature blog.

Scrolling through Kevin's Nature Blog you will find other local areas highlighted with beautiful pictures. If you are unable to visit the sites that are featured in Kevin's blog, you will certainly enjoy viewing the pictures.

Local areas that Kevin visited and highlighted include:

OZARK WILDLIFE AREA, JACKSON COUNTY, IOWA 7/17/2025

BLACKHAWK WILDLIFE AREA, JACKSON COUNTY, IOWA 1/18/2024

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<https://www.iowadnr.gov/places-to-go/state-forests>

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Artistic Cleaners
109 Locust St.

Dennis Baumhover
State Farm Ins
2615 Dodge St.

Behrs Funeral Home
1491 Main St.

Breitbach's Country Dining
563 Balltown Rd.

Cedar Cross Overhead Door
1040 Cedar Cross Rd

Citizens State Bank
P.O. Box 50
NewVienna

Copper Kettle
2987 Jackson St

Dubuque Arboretum &
Botanical Garden
3800 Arboretum Drive

Dupaco Credit Union
P.O. Box 179

DuTrac Credit Union
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Environmental Management
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5170 Wolff Rd

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20214 E Pleasant Grove Rd

Hendricks Feed & Seed
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Herbst Upholstery & Auto
76 Main St

Kaufmann Painting
17368 S John Deere Rd.

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Box 125 New Vienna

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O'Meara Custom Products
8915 N. Badger Rd.
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Origin Design
137 Main St - Suite 100

Pfohl's Blinds, Drapes Inc.
335 West 1st Street

Schuster Tree Service
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Sisters of Saint Francis
3390 Windsor Ave.

Skip Breithbach Feed
Balltown, IA

Spahn \$ Rose Lumber
250 Harrison St.

Stecklein Tree Service
Epworth, IA

Therapeutic Massage
2255 JFK Road

U.S. Bank
270 West 7th

White Front Feed & Seed
4290 Dodge St.

White Water Native Seeds
Epworth, IA

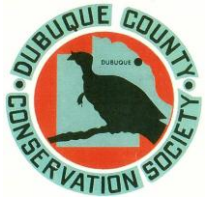
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DCCS meetings are held September through May on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m.
Next meetings: Tuesday, April 14. We plan to meet at Hafeman Wildlife Area at 5:30
Check for location by emailing dbqccs01@gmail.com one week prior to meeting date.

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Friends of the Mines of Spain Program Series

All programs are provided free of charge and are open to all ages. Free will donations accepted. Join us at noon at the EB Lyons Center, which is also open 10-2 on Weekends. This year we are celebrating the EB Lyons Center turning 50!

April 12, 12 noon – Promoting pollinators and birds in your backyard – Bill Meyer

April 25 - Party for the Planet- Earth Day Celebration at the River Museum- museum fee applies

April 26, 12 noon – Mike Rouw the Big Tree Hunter

<https://www.youtube.com/@minesofspain>

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Connect with the Iowa DNR - <https://www.iowadnr.gov/newsroom/social-media>

County Conservation events and projects:

<https://secure.rec1.com/IA/dubuque-county-ia/catalog>

<https://www.facebook.com/dubuquecountyconservation/>

<https://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Jackson>

<https://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Jones.aspx>

Dubuque County Conservation Society website: <https://www.dbqccs.org/>

Conservation Society Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/dbqcntyconsoc>

DCCS online renewal link on website: <https://dubuque-county-conservation-society.square.site/>