



WINTERFEST 2016

# Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

- \* Feb. 2 – IACCB Strategic Planning Committee- Ames
- \* Feb. 2 – IACCB Board of Directors Meeting – Ames
- \* Feb. 9 – District 2 Mtg. – Howard County
- \* Feb. 11 – District 1 Mtg. – Webster County
- \* Feb. 16 – District 5 Mtg. – Jefferson County
- \* Feb 17 – District 3 Mtg. – Sioux County
- \* Feb. 18 – District 4 Mtg. – Madison County
- \* Feb. 23 – REAP Alliance Meeting – Des Moines
- \* March 3 – Capitol Day for IWILL – Fund the Trust
- \* March 8 – CCPOA Spring Workshop – Webster CCB
- \* March 9 – County Day at the Capitol (ISAC)
- \* Mar. 10-11 – ISAC Spring School of Instruction
- \* Mar. 15 – IACCB W/Fest Planning Mtg. – Marshall
- \* Mar. 16 – CCPOA Spring Workshop – Obrien CCB
- \* Mar. 16 – CCPOA Spring Workshop – Muscatine Co.
- \* March 22 – REAP Day at the Capitol (IEC)



## WINTERFEST 2016 INTO THE ARCHIVES

250+ CCB staff, 80+ college students. 40+ educational sessions and the most excellent networking opportunities anywhere – and you have simply the best Winterfest 2016! Hats off to the **2016 Winterfest Planning Committee of IACCB** for the excellent production once again. Led by IACCB President **Scott Bahmann** (Benton), Vice President **Joe Mayhew** (Union) and the venerable Secretary/Treasurer, **Bob Etzel** (Tama) – the 24+ member committee teamed together for a marvelous job! Thanks too to the numerous CCB Directors and Staff that assisted with the collegiate resume review process – Brody Bertram (Franklin), C.J. Hughes (Monroe), Dan Cohen (Buchanan), Barb Schroeder (Winneshiok), Dave Sedivec (Mahaska), Mike Dauber (Cedar), Will Horsley (Montgomery), Rich Leopold (Polk), Matt Cosgrove (Webster), Heather Gamm (Bremer), Brian Moore (Chickasaw) Brian Lammers (Hamilton), Scott Nelson (Harrison), Lee Sorenson (Dickinson) and Adam Shirley (Mitchell). This was the 11<sup>th</sup> year that students have joined us at Winterfest – and their participation has become a hugely successful feature of the event – enhanced a few years back with the resume review option – many thanks to each of our reviewers!

## ← LOTS ON THE CALENDARS!

Be sure to have a look at the myriad of District & other meetings, training opportunities, etc. on this listing and get them plugged into your new 2016 calendars! Looking forward to seeing you at one of the many opportunities to learn, network and advocate in the upcoming weeks! 😊 😊 😊



Jessica Wagner (Jackson)



## REAP CONGRESS – A Good Show by CCBs!

25 +/- conservation board members and staff represented their REAP regions to the **13<sup>th</sup> REAP Congress** at the State Capitol on January 9<sup>th</sup>. What a great recognition of the importance of REAP by these CCB delegates – simply awesome! Three major resolutions were discussed and passed by this Congress: 1) Advocate for the full-funding of REAP at \$20M, but a request for \$40M; 2) Keep the REAP formula intact with no changes, and; 3) Advocate funding the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund (IWILL). A full report on the REAP Congress will be available soon on the DNR website: <http://www.iowadnr.gov/Conservation/REAP>



Adam Shirley (Mitchell), Mark Peterson (Woodbury), Rod Marlatt (Fayette)

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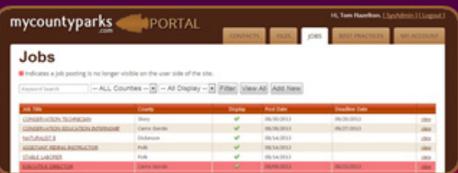
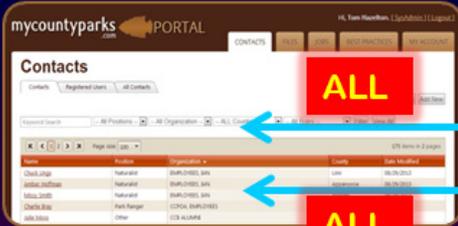


# The Profile Conundrum

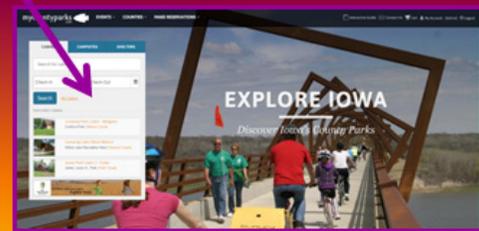
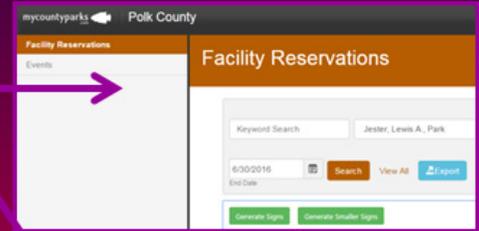
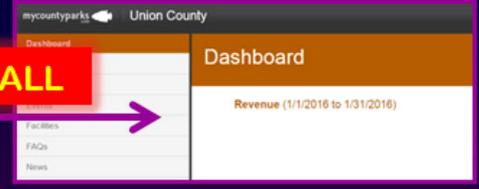
mycountyparks.com PORTAL

SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR - Tom  
Profile Security Level Options

mycountyparks.com



COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - You!  
Profile Security Level Options



*It may be of value you to save this page as a digital/hard copy reminder as to the user profile options available to you for MyCountyParks.com and the IACCB Portal. Remember – they are separated entities with one login locale.*

## CREATING THE RIGHT PROFILE FOR THE RIGHT PERSON

### PROFILE NAME

System Administrator  
(Tom Hazelton/ Developers)

County Administrator  
(One or more in each CCB)

Park Administrator

Ranger

Portal Administrator

Portal User

### CREATED BY

Website Developers

System Administrator &  
Other County Administrator

County Administrator

County Administrator

System Administrator

System Administrator

### AUTHORITY/SECURITY

Full control of Website & Portal; ability to create & delete any type of site content

100% Access to ALL functionalities & content of YOUR CCB's portion of the Website & Portal

Access to content & admin. functionalities for a specifically assigned park. **No Portal Access.**

Ability to view only the reservations for facilities and events in your county. **No Portal Access.**

Access to all content and functionalities of the Portal. Ability to modify your CCB's information ONLY. **No Access to MyCountyParks.com**

Admin access to view Files Tab ONLY. The Jobs tab provides the same view as a public user, **No access to MyCountyParks.com**





## **CCPOA UPDATES**

- 1. 30<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY GROUP PHOTO** – Copies are in hand for each of you, along with the tabulation of all 155 names in the picture! Hazelton will be distributing these around the state at spring District Meetings over the next couple of months.
- 2. WINTERFEST – METZGER PROGRAM IN-SERVICE TRAINING CREDITS** – Those of you that were at Winterfest 2016 last week, and were able to take in all or part of the programming by ILEA Instructor Metzger should be sure to document in-service training credits for that session (either 1 or 2 hours). Recommendation would be to attach the text description of the training to your credit hours worksheet for your file....your choice!
- 3. REGIONAL SPRING WORKSHOPS** – As of this writing, two of the agendas have been finalized – for the Western and Central Iowa workshops: **March 8<sup>th</sup> – Central Iowa Workshop (Webster CCB)**; **March 16<sup>th</sup> – Western Iowa Workshop (O'Brien CCB)**. The agendas and registration for these two events are posted to the CCPOA website (link below). Information for the **March 16<sup>th</sup> Eastern Workshop in Muscatine County** will be sent out as soon as the agenda has been finalized.  
<http://iowaccpoa.weebly.com/2016-spring-workshops.html>
- 4. CCPOA NEWSLETTER DUE OUT SOON** – CCPOA members should keep on the look-out for the Spring Workshop edition of the CCPOA Newsletter in their inbox soon – *stay tuned!* 😊

## **IACCB BOARD OF DIRECTORS WELCOMES TWO NEW MEMBERS**

Two new representatives to the **IACCB Board of Directors** will be administered the oath of office as they assume their seats at the upcoming Board of Directors Meeting on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. IACCB is pleased to announce that **Bridget Chatfield (Mitchell CCB)** has been elected as the new District 2 Board Member Representative, and **Mike Miner (Butler CCB)** has been appointed as the new CCDA Representative (*County Conservation Directors Association*). Both Bridget and Mike will serve initial three-year terms, and will be eligible for a second three years. Bridget replaces Richard Harms (*Bremer*), and Mike replaces Curt Weis (*Muscatine*) – both who had served 6+ years on the state board and provided great leadership throughout a bunch of transition to new ways of doing things! CONGRATS to our new board members and much GRATITUDE to Dick and Curt for their years of service! 😊 😊



## **WELCOMING BACK IACCB PREFERRED VENDORS FOR 2016**

We are pleased to be welcoming back **19 Preferred Vendors to IACCB for 2016** – and looking forward to another dozen or so that will be renewing in the next couple of weeks. As always – we welcome you to research the products and services offered by our preferred vendors FIRST, prior to looking elsewhere. ALL INFORMATION on our Preferred Vendors is located via the IACCB link on MyCountyParks.com, or directly here: <http://mycountyparks.weebly.com/preferred-vendor.html> Look forward to a special edition newsletter in the near future featuring all of our 2016 Preferred Vendor Members! To-date, we have the following businesses on board for 2016: **Boland Recreation, Carpenter Uniform & Promotional Products, Central Iowa Distributing, Connect-A-Dock Sales, Conservation Corps of Iowa, Denco Highway Construction Corp., Ever-Green Landscape Nursery & Supply, Gee Asphalt Systems, Inc., Goats on the Go, Griggs Environmental Strategies, Inc., Iowa Ready Mixed Concrete Association, Keep Iowa Beautiful, Kloubec Fisheries, Martin Gardner Architecture, P.C., Midwest Turf & Irrigation, R.J. Thomas Manufacturing Co., Shive-Hattery, Snyder & Associates, Inc., and TRUAX.**

## **NEW REAP-CEP COORDINATOR & IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016**

Please mark your 2016 calendars with these important REAP-CEP (Conservation Education Program) dates:

March 1, 2016 – 9:00 am – REAP CEP Board - Conference Call

May 15, 2016 – 5:00 pm – REAP CEP Grant Applications Deadline

June 7, 2016 – 10:00 am – REAP CEP Board Meeting - Fort Dodge & Conference Call

June 7, 2016 – Noon – REAP CEP Board Educational Presentation - Fort Dodge & Conference Call

June 7, 2016 – 1:00 pm – REAP CEP Board Review of Proposals Meeting - Fort Dodge & Conference Call

Long-time REAP-CEP Coordinator Susan Salterberg has moved on, and we are pleased to welcome a new Coordinator in the personage of Jerah Zy Sheets. Jerah has been with the DNR for over 10 years – most recently with environmental regulation and as board administrator of the Environmental Protection Commission. You can reach him at (515) 313-8909, or via email to: [reapcep@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:reapcep@dnr.iowa.gov) We collectively look forward to working with Jerah in the months / years ahead! 😊

## NRA RANGE SAFETY OFFICER COURSES AVAILABLE

Two **NRA Range Safety Officer** courses have been scheduled in February. These classes are free for SCTP/SPP coaches to attend, but individuals are responsible for their own NRA course registration fees. This course meets the continuing education requirement for SCTP coaches.

**February 6<sup>th</sup> - DeWitt:** <https://www.register-ed.com/events/view/74276?>

**February 13<sup>th</sup> - Indianola:** <https://www.register-ed.com/events/view/73983?>



Clinton CCB Eco-Tourism Center, Rock Creek Park

## FOUNDATION OR FRIENDS GROUP BROCHURE ??

We have received a couple of requests for sample brochures that may have been developed for your friends/foundation groups. These may be of an awareness type, membership recruitment type, or others. If you have a digital version of one that you can share – please send it along in and we can get it uploaded to the portal to share with others. Send your information to IACCB at: [IACCB@MyCountyParks.com](mailto:IACCB@MyCountyParks.com) Thanks for the assistance – we look forward to hearing from you soon! ☺



Disc Golf

## NEW ACTIVITIES ON MCP.com

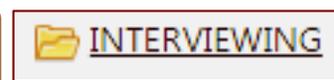
Discussions at the Winterfest MCP training session have led to two new “Activities” that you can now add to your **parks**, and subsequently then to your **facilities** in that park! The activities have already been installed as an option, and we welcome you to send along some quality pictures, and text suggestions that we can use to enhance the default views and description(s) of both the **Disc Golf** and **Geocaching** items! ☺



Geocaching



*\* In the near future we will be installing the complimenting icons you can add as amenities to facilities too! ☺*



## NEW FILE FOLDERS IN THE PORTAL – “LOAD ‘EM UP!”

As time allows – we add folders to the **FILES tab in the Portal**, and invite you to add documents, etc. to them. ☺ We recently added folders for **CCB Bylaws** and **Interviewing** information. Not all CCBs have bylaws, but it would be helpful for those of you that do to share yours by uploading them to the **ByLaws-CCBs File** for others to glean ideas and concepts from. AND – we can all use ideas and suggestions for interviewing techniques, standards and questions for our interview processes across the state. Many of the smaller/medium counties do not have the benefit of H.R. or Employment Relations offices to assist with this information – so if you have materials you can share, thanks for uploading them to the **Interviewing File**. While you are visiting the **FILES tab in the Portal** – be sure to check out all the files that are in there and see if you may be able to assist with any additional uploading of files/information – thanks!



## INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

Presenters **Todd Manternach** & **Tom Hazelton** shared investment concepts and IPERS info. with participants in this session at Winterfest 2016. Emphasis was on exploring deferred comp. and various 457b, 401K and IRA options in the earliest portion of your career to take advantage of time compounding the value of investments.





## The Capitol Report

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Click here for the IACCB Bill Tracker.  
Click here for the INHF Bill Tracker.

## 2016 LEGISLATIVE REPORTS HAVE COMMENCED (aka "The Capitol Report")

As the 2016 Iowa Legislative Session rolls into its third week, so commences our semi-weekly electronic Legislative Newsletter. These come directly to your email inbox from our lobbyists (Craig Patterson & Amy Campbell). The **Bill Tracker** link to bills of interest to conservation is at the top of the newsletter, and towards the bottom you will find a link to the listing of **Legislative Forums** across the state. Please make note of these and utilize them as a reference frequently! (*NOTE: Email addresses will be updated in mid-February*)

### Legislative Resource Links

[IACCB Website](#)  
[IACCB Bill Tracker](#)

[INHF Website](#)  
[INHF Bill Tracker](#)

[Iowa Legislative Website](#)  
[Listen to live debate.](#)  
[Check schedules.](#)  
[Find legislators.](#)  
[Find legislative forums near you.](#)

Click for Details

### January 2016

01/22/2016 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM **Legislative Forum - Black Hawk County**  
01/23/2016 07:30 AM - 10:00 AM **Legislative Forum - Fort Dodge**  
01/23/2016 08:00 AM - 09:00 AM **Legislative Forum - Creston**  
01/23/2016 08:00 AM - 09:00 AM **Legislative Forum - Shenandoah**  
01/23/2016 08:30 AM - 09:30 AM **Eggs & Issues - Oskaloosa**  
01/23/2016 08:30 AM - 09:30 AM **Legislative Forum - Sioux City**

## EMAIL UPDATE (SCOOP) SCHEDULED FOR MID-FEBRUARY!

The quarterly harvest of emails from the **IACCB Portal CONTACTS** is scheduled to occur on or around **Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**. All existing emails in our communication database are discarded and replaced with those that are currently listed within the specified database. A shout-out to the **Jackson CCB** for providing the primo example of what we are hoping to find for this harvest – current email addresses for 100% of all conservation board members AND staff. We have progressed a long way since launching this system in early 2014 – but we can do better! ☺ These addresses are in a secure database and not shared with anyone. Our **Preferred Vendor Members** and the **DNR** only receive a sub-database of Director information ONLY – so if there is a worry about providing an email address – please share this information with those concerned.

You once again have several weeks advance notice to confirm/updates of your addresses in the **CONTACTS of the portal** – as a reminder, **this has nothing to do with user security Profiles in MyCountyParks.com**. If you should need any assistance or have questions – [IACCB@mycountyparks.com](mailto:IACCB@mycountyparks.com) – thanks!

mycountyparks.com Perfect!

Jackson County - District 6

Position	Full Name	Email
Director	Daryl Parker	darylsparker@jacksonccb.com
Board Member	Randy Bender	bendersfoods@gmail.com
Board Member	Chris Cornelius	csquared@netins.net
Board Member	Larry McDevitt	lmmcdevitt@outlook.com
Board Member	Kathy Wosoba	wosobafarms@hotmail.com
Board Member	Dr. D.W. Yanda	dryanda@yahoo.com
Maintenance Tech.	Jerry Widel	jwidel@jacksonccb.com
Naturalist	Emily Highnam	emily@jacksonccb.com
Naturalist	Jennifer Meyer	jen@jacksonccb.com
Naturalist	Jessica Wagner	jess@jacksonccb.com
Office/Clerical	Pam True	pamtrue@jacksonccb.com
Park Ranger	Jeannie Collins-Heer	jcollinsheer@jacksonccb.com
Park Ranger	Ryan Owen	owenparkranger@jacksonccb.com

## BON VOYAGE TO BEELER!

**Mike Beeler** bid adieu to county conservation earlier this month after a 37+ year career with the Madison, then Dallas CCBs. In the more recent years, Mike has worked as a Natural Resource Manager with DCCB, and previously as a Park Officer with the Madison County Conservation Board. Our best to Mike and his



family as they enjoy this new exciting career of retirement! **HISTORIC TRIVIA:** Mike was one of 20 county conservation Peace Officers who were certified by ILEA in the late 1970s in the 1<sup>st</sup> Conservation Basic Training Class. Only three of those officers were still active in the county conservation ranks in 2015, now there are two – **Dennis Lewiston** (Jefferson CCB) and **Tom Hazelton** (IACCB). The other 14 officers in that class were all from the Iowa Conservation Commission (now DNR)...my, how times have changed ☺



Hazelton & Beeler in ILEA 1<sup>st</sup> Conservation Basic



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



## JOBS

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

1. POTTAWATTAMIE Co. - Roadside Technician
2. WRIGHT Co. – Park Ranger I
3. LOUISA Co. – Naturalist
4. WINNESHIEK Co. – Roadside Manager
5. DALLAS Co. – Natural Resource Manager
6. JOHNSON Co. – Mechanic
7. TEMPORARY POSITIONS – 63 opportunities listed on website



Full Time Employment

Seasonal/Part-Time – Listed on website

