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IMPORTANT DATES:

- * Oct. 21-24 – IA Tourism Conference – Council Bluffs
- * Oct. 28 – District 1 Mtg., Polk CCB – Jester Park
- * Nov. 3 – REAP-CEP Grant deadline
- * Nov. 4-5 – IACCB Summit Series 2014 – Des Moines
- * Nov. 5-7 – IAN Fall Workshop – Iowa CCB
- * Nov. 5 – District 3 Mtg., Osceola CCB
- * Nov. 12-14 – ISAC Fall School, Des Moines
- * Nov. 20 – District 4 Mtg., Clarke CCB
- * Nov. 30 – Habitat Grant Applications Due
- * Dec. 17 – District 6 Mtg., Jackson CCB

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FY2015 IACCB SALARY SURVEYS – Distributed!

The FY2015 IACCB Salary Survey was distributed via email yesterday across the state. As referenced, it is also available by accessing the **IACCB Portal** tab “**FILES**” in the sub-file of “**SALARY SURVEYS**” – along with previous editions. *Many thanks once again to the CCBs that participated in this annual survey!* ☺

2014 SUMMIT SERIES REMINDER

REGISTRATION DEADLINE - by **October 27th**! **NEW employees** will gather on **Tuesday, November 4th** for some great training, and to meet fellow new CCB staff that they will be networking with in the decades ahead; **Directors** will be meeting on **Wednesday, November 5th** for some specialized educational sessions and round table discussions. Agendas and workshop information are available along with the **online registration** link via the site page at the link listed below:

<http://mycountyparks.weebly.com/summit-series.html>



“ACTIVIST” TRAINING for IWILL – December 9th or 10th ?

Post-election educational sessions to prepare for the 2015 legislative are being planned by the IWILL Executive for either side of the state in early December. This will include an emphasis on the common messaging & talking points, and that the SOLUTION to many of our problems is FUNDING THE TRUST FUND! Finalized dates, locations and additional information will be sent out as available. *Stay tuned.....*

40th ANNUAL IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE HABITAT IMPROVEMENT AWARDS

Marion & Marj Striegle from the Iowa Chapter of the IWLA were on hand at our 55th Annual Conference last month to present their Habitat Improvement Awards. Representatives from Butler, Fayette and Mitchell CCBs are pictured below with their awards – CONGRATS to all recipients!



Why County Conservation Matters!

60th Anniversary of County Conservation!
Sept. 17 – 19, 2015
Cedar Rapids

IACCB 2015 FALL CONFERENCE – LINN COUNTY

September 17-19, 2015 - Lodging Reservations Now Available!

Linn County Conservation is proud to host the 60th Anniversary of Iowa's County Conservation System in 2015! Linn County hosted their first IACCB Annual Fall Conference in 1963, and will be hosting their 7th conference in 2015! Information on lodging, as well as a tentative program are available via the "IACCB" link on the bottom of any page on MyCountyParks.com. *Planning ahead to see YOU there!* ☺



KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL ANNOUNCES PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Keep Iowa Beautiful

Des Moines—Grab your I-phone, sure-shot or digital camera and shoot a photo of your favorite attractive Iowa location! Keep Iowa Beautiful is pleased to announce the 5th Keep Iowa Beautiful Photography Contest aimed at raising awareness of Iowa's beauty. This photo contest offers both amateur and experienced photographers an opportunity to tell Iowa's story in a fun, engaging way.

"It is a great way for 'Iowa lovers' to share what they like about our state," said Gerry Schnepf, KIB Executive Director. "First place will receive \$25, second place \$20. Both will receive complimentary registration to KIB's Annual Conference scheduled for May 5, 2015, in Fort Dodge at the Iowa Central Community College."

The deadline is December 31, 2014 and entries must be submitted as high resolution JPEG electronically to bjackson@keepiowabeautiful.com . \$5 entry fee, contest rules and payment can be made at www.keepiowabeautiful.com/media/photography-content



STATE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM – January 2, 2015 Grant Deadline!

Of the \$6 million appropriation for the State Recreational Trails (SRT) program for State Fiscal Year 2015 (SFY 2015), \$1 million was to be awarded toward the refurbishment of existing trail bridges that have documented historical and architectural significance. There was one application submitted for consideration during the regular July 1, 2014, State Recreational Trails program application round that met this description. The Iowa Transportation Commission awarded \$500,000 toward the SW 5th (Jackson) Street Bridge Rehabilitation project in Des Moines at their October 14, 2014 meeting. This leaves \$500,000 in remaining funding available for existing trail bridges with historical and architectural significance.



They are now accepting applications with a January 2, 2015, deadline for the remaining \$500,000 of this funding. Applications for projects that are not existing trail bridges with historical and architectural significance will not be accepted at this time. Applications for refurbishment of a historical and architecturally significant bridge will be required to include documentation that the bridge is either already listed on the National Register of Historic Places or that it is eligible to be listed. A bridge that has been relocated from its original placement or is intended to be moved from its intended placement to a new location would be eligible for this funding if the relocation does not impact its listing on or eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places.

Applications for this dedicated funding are also required to include at least a dollar-for-dollar match (50%) of funds not awarded by the state. The SRT application form (Form 240002) was updated to include these program requirements and is posted to the Iowa DOT web site http://www.iowadot.gov/systems_planning/fedstate_rectrails.htm. Please contact Yvonne Diller, State and Federal Recreational Trails Program Manager, at [515-239-1252](tel:515-239-1252) or yvonne.diller@dot.iowa.gov with any questions

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

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

1. APPANOOSE Co. – Park Technician
2. HARDIN Co. – Roadside / Wildlife Technician
3. JONES – Campground Host
4. HAMILTON – Campground Hosts
5. BUENA VISTA – Campground Hosts

 Full Time Employment
 Seasonal/Part-Time



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