

# Fall Newsletter

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## HELLO EVERYONE!!

Check out all the fun pages in our newsletter! Make sure that you check out all of the upcoming events/activities that are going on this fall! I will update the activities as they come along on our website.

Get to know our new naturalist by reading a little bit about her on the next page. If you wish to get her for a program, please email her or call the office to book her! Make sure to follow our events to see what kind of programs that she will be doing around the county.

Follow along with all of our events through our Facebook and Instagram pages!

Instagram: pocahontascountyconservation

Facebook: PocahontasCounty Conservation



# GET TO KNOW YOUR NATURALIST

Hello Everyone!!

My name is Dayton Harson. I am the new naturalist here in Pocahontas. I am very excited to get to know people through my programs and through interactions around the county.

A little about me, I am originally from the far NW corner of Iowa. I graduated college from South Dakota State University with a degree in Wildlife and Fisheries. Before I started here, I was a naturalist intern for Lyon County for 3 and a half years.

Some of my favorite things to do include: hunting, fishing, trap shooting, wildlife photography (especially ducks and other birds), and many more outdoor activities. I grew up loving the outdoors and have always wanted a job where I am able to get outside.

I am very excited to do programs around the area, and I hope to see you all at a program or two!





# PARK SPOTLIGHT

Get to know our parks!

First up is Meredith Park.

Meredith Park has been around since the early 1970s. The picture on the left, is a photo of Meredith Park in October of 1977. The picture on the right is from August 2022. There have been many different things that have changed since the beginning. There was a new shower house that was built in 2002 followed by a playground in 2005. In 2007, the cabin was built. There are also camping pads, fishing dock, and a beach at Meredith Park. Many different people will use this park for camping and kayaking. This park is a nice little park to enjoy!





# UPCOMING EVENTS/ ACTIVITIES/HOLIDAYS



## September



Sep. 5th Labor Day

Sep. 14th Fur Program  
Clay County Fair @ 9:00-1:30

Sep. 22nd Coffee With Conservation  
Nature Center @ 8:30-9:30



## November



Nov. 11th Veterans Day

Nov. 17th Coffee With Conservation  
Nature Center @ 8:30-9:30

Nov. 24th Thanksgiving Day



## October



Oct. 8th Hunter Ed Field Day  
Nature Center @ 1:00-5:00

Oct. 27nd Coffee With Conservation  
Nature Center @ 8:30-9:30

Oct. 27nd Pumpkin Painting  
Nature Center, All Day/Come  
As You Please



## December



Dec. 5th-6th Wreath Making  
Nature Center, Come As You Please

Dec. 8th Coffee With Conservation  
Nature Center @ 8:30-9:30

Dec. 25th Christmas Day

# KID'S PAGE

## Fall Word Search

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ACORN  
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AUTUMN  
CHESTNUTS  
CHILLY  
CIDER  
COBWEB  
FALL  
FOOTBALL  
GOURD

HALLOWEEN  
HARVEST  
HAY BALE  
HAYRIDE  
LEAVES  
MAIZE  
NOVEMBER  
NUTS  
OCTOBER  
PUMPKIN

QUILT  
RAKE  
SCARECROW  
SEPTEMBER  
SLEET  
THANKSGIVING





# FIND THE HIDDEN OAK LEAF

## Find the Hidden Oak Leaf

In the lower right hand corner, is the oak leaf example.  
We will be hiding this leaf on one of these pages. The leaf  
will not be the same color nor the same size.

Good Luck, Happy Hunting!!



## HUNTING SEASON DATES

(NORTH ZONE)



### Youth Waterfowl

Sep. 24-25

### Ducks, Mergansers & Coots

Oct. 1-7 & Oct. 15-Dec. 6

### Dark Geese & Light Geese

Sep. 24-Oct. 9   Oct. 15-Dec. 6   Dec. 10-  
Jan. 7, 2023

### Special September Teal

Sep. 1-16

### Doves

Sep. 1- Nov. 29

### Snipe

Sep. 3- Nov. 30

### Rail

Sep 3- Nov. 11

### Woodcock

Oct. 1- Nov 14



# POCAHONTAS COUNTY CONSERVATION TRIVIA QUESTIONS

#1: WHAT YEAR DID  
VOTERS APPROVE THE  
FORMATION OF THE  
CONSERVATION  
BOARD?

ANSWERS FOR  
QUESTION #1 IS ON PAGE  
#3. ANSWER FOR #2 IS  
ON PAGE #5



#2: WHO WAS THE  
FIRST DIRECTOR?



## DID YOU KNOW...



Legal methods of take for turkey have been  
expanded to include .410 and 28-gauge.

Canada goose bag limit increased to three beginning with the second  
segment of the season.





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## POCAHONTAS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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