

**Famous Iowans, Alpacas, Bridges & Quilts**  
**Wednesday, October 11**  
**7:30 am to 5:30 pm**  
**Winterset, IA**



Journey to the rolling, scenic landscape of Madison County. Our first stop is the award winning John Wayne Birthplace and Museum. Enjoy a short documentary of the famous actor and tour his birthplace home. Next stop is a tour of the unique Iowa Quilt Museum in downtown Winterset. Lunch will be served at the Henry A. Wallace farm. Hear the story of the famous Wallace family and their connection to agriculture and soil conservation in Iowa. Next we will stop at the famous Roseman Covered Bridge featured in the “Bridges of Madison County” movie. Then participants will have free time to explore the many unique shops in downtown Winterset. The refurbished Iowa Theatre will feature a short movie showing clips from films made in Iowa and actors from Iowa. The Rusty Stars Alpaca’s farm will be our final stop of the day to feed these unique animals. Bring your curiosity and sense of adventure for a fun day in Madison County.

**Fee: \$120 per person**, includes transportation, meals and tour fees. Departure location TBD.  
**Registration Deadline: Sept 27**

**Fees include, motorcoach transportation, meals, lodging if applicable and all tour fees.**

**Cancellation Policy:**  
Reservations are fully refundable prior to registration deadline. After deadline, registration may be refunded less the \$10 cancellation fee if space can be filled.



Step on board...re-discover Iowa with us!

**Eco-Bus Trip Registration opens**  
**March 25, 2023**  
**8:00 a.m.**

*Register online at:*  
*[www.leadingyououtdoors.org](http://www.leadingyououtdoors.org)*  
*Go to calendar tab*

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## Polk County Conservation 2023 Eco-Bus Tours



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**Journey Back in time to Jamesport**  
**Tuesday, May 9**  
**7:30 am to 6:00 pm**  
**Jamesport, MO**



Step back in time as we visit the Amish and Mennonite Community in Jamesport, MO. Antique stores, quilt shops, Amish bakery, candle shops, furniture store and more. We will stop at one of the largest produce auctions in the country. Enjoy a luncheon buffet at Gingerich Dutch Pantry. Bring your sense of adventure!

**Fee: \$105 per person**, includes motorcoach, meals and tour fees. Departure location TBD.  
**Registration Deadline: April 25**

**Western Iowa Wonders**  
**Wednesday, June 14**  
**7:30 am to 5:30 pm**  
**Manning, IA**



Join us for a day of discovery in Western Iowa. Our first stop is the Burr Oak rest area/Whiterock Conservancy in Coon Rapids. Kay Neuman with SOAR (Saving our Avian Resources) will present a live birds of prey program. Our journey west continues to the oldest barn in the U.S., the Historic German Haus Barn in Manning. After lunch, we will tour the Templeton Rye distillery and have a tasting. Our final stop is touring Swan Lake Park & Nature Center in Carroll.

**Fee: \$100 per person**, includes motorcoach transportation, lunch and tour fees. Depart from Jester Park Nature Center, Granger, IA.  
**Registration Deadline: May 31**

**Mississippi River Cruise & Field of Dreams**  
*(Overnight 2-day trip)*  
**Wednesday/Thursday July 12/13**  
**7:00 am July 12 return 6:30 pm July 13**  
**Dubuque/Dyersville, IA**

Explore eastern Iowa in a two-day extravaganza!

**Day 1** At the port of Dubuque, we board the Celebration Belle for a 5-hour cruise on the scenic Mississippi River. Enjoy live music of the “Classic Oldies” while cruising on the river and enjoying a lunch buffet. Following the cruise, we will journey to the scenic vista of Eagle Point Park. Supper will be served at Timmerman’s in East Dubuque.



**Day 2** will begin with breakfast at the hotel. The first stop of the day is a tour of one of the largest Tiffany stained glass window collection at St. Luke’s Methodist Church. Our journey continues on to Dyersville. There we will tour the historic and beautiful Basilica of St. Frances of Xavier, eat lunch at the unique Palace Saloon, and visit the National Farm and Toy Museum. Our final stop of the day is the famous Field of Dreams with a special visit from a ghost player. Bring your camera and sense of discovery for this two-day exploration of eastern Iowa.

**Fee: \$285 per person double occupancy, \$335 single occupancy**, includes motorcoach transportation, meals, hotel room, and tour fees. Depart from Prairie Meadows parking lot 1, Altoona, IA.

**Registration Deadline: June 15**

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**On Safari!**  
**Tuesday, August 15**  
**7:30 am to 7:00 pm**  
**Omaha, NE**



Go on a Safari with Polk County Conservation westward to Omaha. Our first stop is at the beautiful Lauritzen Gardens. We will explore the 100-acre botanical gardens via a narrated tram tour. Lunch will be at the botanical café with time reserved to explore the unique gift shop. The westward journey continues to the Wildlife Safari Park. A ride thru the Safari park will highlight North American wildlife from bison and elk to Sandhill Cranes. We will also have an opportunity to view wolves, bears and eagles. Bring your camera and curiosity for a fun day on Safari.

**Fee: \$120 per person**, includes transportation, lunch and tour fees. Departure location TBD. **Registration Deadline: August 1**

**Applefest**  
**Tuesday, September 19**  
**7:00 am to 6:30 pm**  
**Nebraska City, NE**



Enjoy the bountiful fruit of fall at the vintage apple orchards of Arbor Day Farm in Nebraska City. The day will begin with a tour of the historic J. Sterling Morton Mansion. Lunch is at the award winning Lied Lodge. Activities for the day include a Discovery Tractor Ride and Apple Harvest tour. Explore the Apple house and gift shop at the Arbor Day farm. End the day with a slice of fresh apple pie or an apple slushy.

**Fee: \$125 per person**, includes transportation, lunch and tour fees. Departure location TBD.  
**Registration Deadline: September 5**