

**Scenic Valley Railroad
October 18
8:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Boone, IA**



Begin the day exploring the Jester Park Nature Center and the Elk/Bison interpretive exhibit. Continue the journey north to tour Ledges State Park and view the fall colors. Next we tour the Mamie Eisenhower birthplace and historical museum. Enjoy lunch in downtown Boone. Following lunch, we board the train for a beautiful fall ride. The Boone Scenic Valley railroad travels thru the picturesque Des Moines River valley. Bring your cameras and sense of adventure as we explore the beauty of Iowa in fall.

Fee: \$85 per person, includes transportation, meals and tour fees. Depart from Jester Park Nature Center, 12130 NW 128th Street, Granger, IA
Registration Deadline: October 4



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 26, 2022
8:00 a.m.**

*Register online at:
www.leadingyououtdoors.org
Go to calendar tab*

Eco-Bus Group Tour Coordinator:
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Polk County Conservation 2022 Eco-Bus Tours



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Kalona “A step back in time”

May 18

7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Kalona, IA



Step back in time as we visit the Amish and Mennonite community of Kalona. Our day will start at the Kalona Historical Village and Welcome Center with coffee and donuts. The first stop will be JK Creative Wood & Gifts. This stop offers the chance to see woodworking at its finest and shop for custom furniture, pottery, glass, quilts and other unique handmade gifts. The Buggy Stop will be our second stop. We will discover why there is a one year wait list for these custom designed Amish buggies. For lunch we will travel to a Conservative Mennonite home for a wholesome dinner served family style. Following lunch, we travel to the unique Hen House. Then back to Kalona and free time to explore the downtown antique stores, quilt shops, arts & craft and women’s boutique shops.

Fee: \$90 per person, includes transportation, meals and tour fees. Depart from Prairie Meadows NW parking lot 1, Altoona, IA.

Registration Deadline: May 4

Covid guidelines:
Eco-bus trip participants are encouraged to wear masks while on the motorcoach.

Cruising into Summer

June 23

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Iowa Falls, IA



Explore historic Iowa Falls and enjoy a luncheon cruise on the Scenic City Empress. The day will also include stops at the: Ag Renewable Center for a drone demonstration, the Swinging Bridge, a garden tour and an organ concert at St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church. The final stop will be exploring downtown Iowa Falls.

Fee: \$75 per person, includes transportation, meals and tour fees. Depart from the AMC Theatre Parking lot, Johnston, IA.

Registration Deadline: June 9

Music on the Mississippi

August 11

7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Moline, IL



Journey to the mighty Mississippi River with Polk County Conservation Eco-bus tours. Enjoy the live music of the “Classic Oldies” while cruising down the river aboard the Celebration Belle. Music and food will be bountiful! The cruise will begin with the “famous sticky rolls” and fruit, then a full buffet lunch followed by an afternoon snack. Bring your dancing shoes, binoculars and sense of adventure for this day cruise on the Mighty Mississippi.

Fee: \$125 per person, includes transportation, meals and tour fees. Depart from Prairie Meadows NW parking lot 1, Altoona, IA.

Registration Deadline: July 21

Villages of Van Buren

September 13

7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Bentonsport, IA



Step into the past with a tour of the Villages of Van Buren County. Our first stop will be the American Gothic House in Eldon. We will stop at the Indian Artifact Museum and the Bentonsport National Historic District. Our luncheon stop is a beautiful Amish home for a hearty home cooked meal with homemade butter and jam. Following lunch, we will drive thru scenic Lacey-Keosauqua State Park. Our final stop will be famous Dutchman’s Store in Cantril. The store is filled with bulk food items and is known as a “Quilter’s paradise”.

Fee: \$100 per person, includes transportation, meals and tour fees. Depart from Prairie Meadows NW parking lot 1, Altoona, IA.

Registration Deadline: August 30



Looking forward to seeing everyone again to rekindle friendships and create new ones.
Join us for an adventure or two!