August Trail News!

Meet our Rock Star LCTA Board Member! So What did our 2023 Trail Survey Conclude? Trails ARE for EVERYONE Indian Creek Connection Update Trail updates- GWT, CVNT and Morgan Creek Meet one of our NEW Business Sponsors Calendar of Events The 2023 Trail Map is here- check trailhead map boxes!



Kimberly Poston, a new 2023 Board Member, took on an amazing challenge! She ran > 200 miles for the segment 12 of the MS Run. We are super proud of Kim, a great effort for a great cause! For more info <u>https://www.facebook.com/msrun...</u>





Stopping for a little goat magic - hey it's Iowa- and smiles!

Long difficult days for such a good cause. Kim you are a Super Star!

Your voices were heard! 714 people took the LCTA online survey in Spring 2023. Over the next few months, we will share the results!

Trail System Benefits

- 1. Fitness/health benefit to me
- 2. Provides me a safe route free from motorized traffic
- 3. Recreational benefit or attraction



Q: Which of these are the main benefits to you in regards to the trail system? Select all that apply.



Q: How do you use the trails in Linn County? Select all that apply.



Recent trail users on the Sac and Fox Trail were treated to wonderful mobility on the trail! Thanks to Indian Creek Nature Center and Access Ability Wisconsin for making these chairs possible for the community!

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Thanks to the Facebook donor drive and many, many others who heard the call and acted! We have already raised \$3215 towards our \$35,000 goal to Make this Trail Connection Happen! The city of Marion will do all the work, thanks!!! and the \$35,000 pays for the materials. There is still time to donate. Visit our website and specify Indian Creek Trail connection! <u>https://linncountytrails.org/d...</u>

Such a busy (and HOT summer) and so many trail projects in process. Here's the most recent updates HOT off the press!



Cedar Valley Nature Trail

Activity north of Urbana... The Bear Creek Bridge building is moving along great and should be done by the end of August. The 52nd St. underpass should be done by late fall or early spring 2024. CVNT paving beyond Urbana up to Bear Creek Bridge will be

late spring into early summer 2024! Paving north of Bear Creek is under Blackhawk Co supervision and timeline.



Bridge over Big Creek along the Grant Wood Trail The goal is for the Oxley Rd to Creekside Rd section to be open by the end of August!



Grant Wood Trail along Secrist Road





Morgan Creek Trail Pictured above is the section from the park leading up to HWY 100.



Grant Wood Trail

The paving is complete almost to Ellis Rd. Beyond Ellis Rd the bridge to cross a small creek is on "backorder" until early September. The good news is that rock is set for Ellis Rd to Covington Rd and will be paved to Covington Rd by late fall. Morgan Creek Trail alongside HWY 100 and coming into Ellis Rd. Yet to be paved but close!

Meet our newest business sponsor! Cancun Mexican Restaurant! We appreciate all our business sponsors! Thank you so much!



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Upcoming Events

LCTA will be there! Check out updates in person

- August 5– Farmers Market Cedar Rapids 7:30 am -12 pm
- August 19– Farmers Market Cedar Rapids 7:30 am -12 pm
- August 26 Safe Kids Event. Check our Facebook Page for more information

LCTA enjoys giving presentations about the trail system in Linn County to service organizations such as Rotary, Optimists, Bike Groups and businesses. Reach out if you'd like to schedule a presentation or have LCTA at your event.

LCTA Members are invited to our Board Meetings which are in person or on ZOOM

In person: City of Cedar Rapids Water Administration Building, 1111 Shaver Road NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403; drive through the gate and enter at the back of the building. The conference room is on the ground floor.

Zoom: You can receive the ZOOM link by emailing president@linncountytrails.org 3 days prior to the meeting.

- August 14 Board meeting 6 pm. 7:30 p.m.
- September 11 Board Meeting 6 pm. 7:30 p.m.
- October 9 Board meeting at 6 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
- November 13 Board Meeting 6 pm. 7:30 p.m.
- No meeting in December



The 2023 Trail map is available at local sponsor shops, Cedar Rapids Tourism office and at various trailheads. Or download the Grant Wood Trails app on your mobile phone for a digital trail map!