



Smoke Signals

Summer 2018



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Silver Sioux

— We've finished remodeling the Lodge! The newly remodeled kitchen now includes a dishwasher and is open-concept while the open-concept sleeping quarters have been assigned to three added bedrooms. The rental fee for this facility has been increased to \$125/night (two night minimums on holidays and weekends) to reflect the remodel.

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One of the Bedrooms



Kitchen & Serving Bar



Living Space

Reminders & Updates

- Equestrian trails opened Juned 1st. Please keep horses off the Martins Access trails when they are wet/muddy.
- Campsites are first-come, first-serve and cannot be saved with a car, tarp, or picnic table. Sites must be paid for and contain a camping unit (i.e. tent or camper).
- Just a reminder that ATV's, unlicensed vehicles (i.e. golf carts, UTVs, and ATVs), and fireworks are not allowed in our parks.





Paddle with the Archaeologist

Upcoming Events

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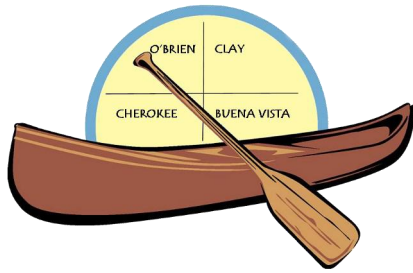
We have so many upcoming summer events that we attached a separate summer activities page for you to print out!

Please note that some events require registration.

Program dates, times, locations, and content are subject to change. Check the CCCB website or Facebook page and your local newspaper for up-to-date information.

Four County Float

Join four county naturalists as we float the Little Sioux River on Friday, July 6th! This is approximately a 10 mile float from Barnes Access to Westcott Park (Cherokee Co.) and we'll provide transportation back to vehicles at the end. Registration is required by July 2nd.



Summer Camps

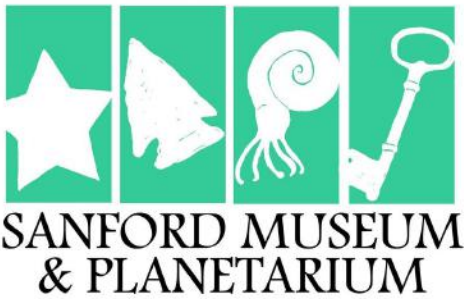
Our summer camps are starting to fill up! For more information about each camp and registration, [click here](#).

Availability:

- Eco-Avengers: 4 spots open
- Adventure Camp: 12 spots open
- River Ramblers: FULL
- Water Wonders 1: 3 spots open
- Water Wonders 2: 5 spots open



Paddle with an Archaeologist on July 14



This event is listed on the summer activities page, but it deserves to be highlighted. The Cherokee County Conservation Board is partnering with the Sanford Museum to provide you with an opportunity to float down Mill Creek with the museum's Archaeologist Megan Stroh Messerole. We'll be stopping on sandbars looking for artifacts and we'll learn a little bit about the local history on the way. This paddle will last 4-5 hours and is not for beginners. Please bring a lunch or snacks. **Space is limited, so registration is required.** Canoes are available free of charge through the conservation board. Please contact Laura to register by calling 712-225-6709 or e-mailing cccblaura@gmail.com.

Rent our Canoes/Kayaks

Rent a trailer of 8 canoes OR 6 canoes & 4 kayaks. The canoes hold 2-3 people each, while each kayak holds 1 person. Cost is \$200 for all of the canoes/kayaks, the trailer, paddles, and safety vests. Call 712-225-6709 to make your reservations. It is recommended that the canoes/kayaks remain in the county.

Park Improvement (cont'd)

Mill Creek
— We've improved water access near the Mill Creek Bridge.



Summer Activities



Date	Time	Event	Location
May			
10	10:00am-11:00am	Jr. Naturalist: Bugs	CCCB Office
June			
8	Noon-1:00pm	Naturalist's Lunchbox	Gillette Park (A Country So Full of Game)
13	1:00pm-2:00pm	Summer Reading: Nature Rocks!	Cherokee Library @ Sanford Museum
14	10:00am-11:00am	Jr. Naturalist: Grow As We Go	CCCB Office
15	Noon-1:00pm	Naturalist's Lunchbox	Gillette Park (Big Like A Bison)
18*	10:00am, 1:00pm	Summer Reading: Nature Rocks!	Aurelia Library (register with them)
19-21*	9:00am-12:00pm	Eco-Avengers	CCCB Office (completed 7th-8th)
22	Noon-1:00pm	Naturalist's Lunchbox	Gillette Park (Water Olympics)
26-28 *	9:00am-11:30am	Adventure Camp	Spring Lake Park (completed 5th-6th)
July			
6	9:00am-3:00pm	Four County Float	Barnes Access to Westcott Park
10-12 *^		River Ramblers	CCCB Office (completed 6th-12th)
14 *	10:00am-3:00pm	Paddle with an Archeologist	Mill Creek
17-19 *	9:00am-11:30am	Water Wonders Camp	Spring Lake Park (completed K-1st)
18	1:00pm-2:00pm	Summer Reading: Nature Rocks!	Marcus Library
18	3:00pm-4:00pm	Summer Reading: Nature Rocks!	Quimby Library
24-26 *	9:00am-11:30am	Water Wonders Camp	Spring Lake Park (completed 2nd-4th)
25	3:00pm-4:00pm	Summer Reading: Geology	Quimby Library
August			
9	10:00am-11:00am	Jr. Naturalist: Snakes	CCCB Office

* = Registration is required

^=Fee Applies

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Contact Laura by calling 712-225-6709 or e-mailing ccblaura@gmail.com with any questions or to register.

More information about each of these programs can be found on the CCCB website

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