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Book Your Shelter Reservations Now for 2023

Are you planning a special event in 2023? Medina County Park District has several outdoor/open-air shelters available to reserve for picnics, reunions, graduation parties, etc. There are also six enclosed facilities that can be used for weddings, showers, corporate events, and more. Please note that reservations must be made at least three weeks in advance. Dates are booking up fast! Details and pricing are found at www.medinacountyparks.com under the *Reservations* tab.

Open-air outdoor picnic shelters

Allardale - 32 capacity
Buckeye Woods Park - 80 capacity
Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park (shared-use, no reservations) - 80 capacity
Green Leaf Park - 80 capacity
Hubbard Valley Park - 80 capacity
Letha House Park East (shared-use, no reservations) - 64 capacity
Plum Creek Park North - 32 capacity
Plum Creek Park South - 80 capacity

Enclosed facilities

Buffalo Creek Retreat - 240 capacity
Hidden Hollow Camp - 75 capacity (no running water/no flush toilets)
Krabill Lodge - 48 capacity
Letha House Lodge - 48 people
Plum Creek Park Lodge - 45 capacity (no running water/no flush toilets)
The Lodge at Allardale - 98 capacity



Buffalo Creek Retreat



Green Leaf Park



Krabill Lodge/Chippewa Lake



River Styx Park

Park Staff to Document Rare and Potentially Threatened Species of Herpetofauna and Small Mammals Thanks to LEAP Grant



American Mink



Northern Leopard Frog



Long-tailed Weasel



Eastern Milksnake



Medina County Park District was awarded a grant from the Lake Erie Allegheny Partnership (LEAP) Conservation Fund in 2022. The LEAP organization is a consortium of organizations that includes many park districts, universities, and other conservation-focused organizations with a common goal of enhancing the biodiversity of habitats and ecosystems in this region. The LEAP Conservation Fund was established to finance projects that promote and protect the region's biodiversity. The fund supports a handful of projects each year that conduct on-the-ground restoration, small-scale research, or public programs.

This grant awarded to Medina County Park District will be used to purchase specially-modified equipment to document rare and potentially threatened species of herpetofauna and small mammals on park district properties. The project will assess efforts to provide critical habitat components like den sites for overwintering and nesting areas for species like the eastern milk snake. Additionally, this survey method has been successful in documenting species like long-tailed weasel, mink, shrews, voles, and even birds.

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Tree of Life/FOTP

In Appreciation of Nate Eppink and Family
Peter and Judy Harvan

Oenslager Nature Center General Fund

Monetary donation

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Other/In Kind

Acer monitor and Sony Bravia TV
Nichole and Philip Schill

Fossils

Scott Poole

Peanuts and seed

Lillian Ortiz

Assorted sea shells for crafts

Louise Melnik

Thank You

Several Job Openings are Available

Medina County Park District is a local and regional leader in conservation, education, and the protection of natural resources. Employees take pride in the parks, trails, programs, and community; ensure quality outdoor experiences; protect public investments; plan the forests and prairies of tomorrow; and develop the next generation of stewards. Employment with the park district is more than a job -- it's an opportunity to make lives better in a fun, fulfilling team environment. Visit medinacountyparks.com under the *About Us/Employment* tab for more information about these positions: Park Laborer, Police Officer, and Park Planner.

