



Beaver Falls County Park

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Renville County Parks and EDA Partner to Host First Parks Outdoor Education Day for Students

The Renville County Park and EDA Departments, along with an Education Day Planning Committee, hosted the first annual Renville County Parks Outdoor Education Day on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at Birch Coulee County Park.

"The goal of this event was to expose students to the county parks and outdoor activities available locally, while educating them on a variety of environmental and safety topics in a fun setting." shared Jesse Diehn, Renville County Parks Manager. ***"Like our volunteer t-shirts said, not all classrooms have four walls!"***

"We reached out to each of the school districts in the county to see if they would have an interest in participating in the Outdoor Education Day event and were happy to hear that it worked for two schools to join us this year." stated Stefanie Ryan, Renville County EDA. ***"We had approximately 190 students, teachers, and chaperones from Prairie Lutheran and Renville County West attend!"***



Above: Austin Hilbrands, Renville County Public Works Drainage Technician, gave a drone demonstration and taught students how the Drainage Department uses a drone on the job and the differences between recreational flying and commercial/government flying.

The Education Day Planning Committee consisted of representatives from several Renville County departments and organizations, each of whom hosted an educational booth. Students were divided into ten groups and rotated through the educational booths, learning about a variety of topics. Students also enjoyed lunch and time exploring the park.

Parks Outdoor Education Day



Above: Ethan Dahl, Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Outreach Technician taught students how to identify different animals found in Renville County through the use of acquired animal furs and bones.



Left: Deputy Tom Swyter, Renville County Sheriff's Office, and Grayson Maresh, Renville County Environmental Services Technician, demonstrated boat/water safety and educated students on Aquatic Invasive Species.

Right: Renville County West student, Naomi Workman, celebrates after dissecting an owl pellet at the Renville County Extension booth, under the instruction of Jon Dilworth, 4-H Extension Educator.



"Thanks to the support of the HRA/EDA Board, the Parks and Trails Committee, the planning committee, and our generous donors, we were able to host a successful event and provide a healthy lunch to all students and volunteers." commented Diehn. Lunch donors included Bernick's, Kandiyohi - Renville County Minnesota Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP), Olivia Kiwanis, Revier Farms, and Sons of the American Legion Squadron 186.

Planning for the Parks Outdoor Education Day event originally began in 2019. Due to COVID, it was postponed for a full two years. The committee is so grateful it was finally able to take place this year! The Education Day Planning Committee would like to thank those who donated their time and resources to make this event possible. The committee is already planning to host this event again next year, with the goal of having all Renville County school districts participate if they are able.

THIS YEAR'S TOPICS AND PRESENTERS INCLUDED:

- **Aquatic Invasive Species**, Renville County Environmental Services (Grayson Maresh, Environmental Technician)
- **Boat and Water Safety**, Renville County Sheriff's Office (Deputy Tom Swyter)
- **Renville County Wildlife**, Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District (Ethan Dahl, Renville County SWCD Outreach Technician)
- **Drone Demonstration**, Renville County Public Works (Austin Hilbrands, Drainage Technician)
- **"SPOT THE NOT" - A Truth Spreading Game**, Pact for Families (Annie Tepfer, RAPAD Coalition Coordinator)
- **How Do You Make Butter?** Renville County Historical Society (Nicole Elzenga, Executive Director)
- **Water Wisdom**, Renville County Master Gardeners (Louise S. Anderson, Marie O'Keefe, and Barbara Stone)
- **Owl Pellet Dissection**, University of Minnesota Extension Renville County (Jon Dilworth, Renville County Extension, 4-H Extension Educator)
- **Trail Maps and Short Trail Hike**, Renville County GIS (Nick Kuntz, GIS Specialist)
- **Geocaching with Jeff**, Renville County Public Health Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (Jeff Filipek, SHIP Coordinator)



Left: Renville County Master Gardeners, Louise S. Anderson, Marie O'Keefe, and Barbara Stone, discussed issues facing today's water supply and introduced students to concepts of wise water management including the use of rain gardens.

Right: Nicole Elzenga, Renville County Historical Society Executive Director, taught students history of Renville County and did a demonstration of how to make butter.



Left: Renville County GIS Specialist, Nick Kuntz, introduced students to Geographical Information Systems (GIS), different types of maps, and demonstrated how it can be utilized to assist with trail mapping.

Looking for a Fulfilling Career? Consider County Government!



As an entire generation of baby boomers begins to retire, we in local government are searching for new energetic, learning-orientated workers and talented second – or even third – career workers! Public service is a fulfilling career. It is about providing programs, creating infrastructure, and working with people to provide services and programs to Renville County's citizens. It's about making our county the best – the best place for business, the best place to visit, and the best place to live, work, learn, and play!

CONSIDER WORKING FOR RENVILLE COUNTY IF:

- **You want to make a difference and build and improve your communities.**
 - Many employees choose Renville County because they enjoy helping people.
- **You want a competitive salary and good benefits:**
 - Renville County offers medical, dental, life insurance, vision care, Flexible Spending Accounts (FSAs), short and long-term disability, Health Saving Accounts (HSAs), Public Employee Retirement Accounts, a continuing education tuition reimbursement program, and more!
 - County employees begin earning sick and vacation hours on day one and can carryover 240 hours each year.
 - Ten+ paid holidays per year.
- **You enjoy a work/life balance:**
 - Renville County offers flexible work schedules.
 - Telework Policy allows for remote work options.
 - Volunteer Services Policy.
 - Benefit options for employees who are scheduled at least 30 hours/week.
- **You want career advancement opportunities:**
 - 70% of Renville County's current supervisors were promoted internally.

Current Renville County job openings can be found by selecting "Job" under the "How do I?" tab at www.renvillecountymn.com. **Questions? Contact Lisa Neutgens, Renville County Human Resource Coordinator, at 320-523-3710 or employment@renvillecountymn.com.**

Renville County Wellness Committee Hosts Spring Cornhole Tournament



The Renville County Wellness Committee hosted their first-ever employee cornhole tournament this spring!

The bracket-style

tournament consisted of 16 randomly paired teams who played head-to-head to see who would come out on top! Staff members got to know co-workers from other departments while spending their 15-minute break, once per week, playing in the tournament.

Congratulations to Chris Randleman, Information Technology Network Specialist, and Lisa Meints, Deputy Auditor/Treasurer Elections & Property Tax Specialist, who were the champions of our first employee cornhole tournament!

Renville County Welcomes Management Team Employees Hired or Promoted in 2022



Gena Amsden,

Support Services &
Accounting Supervisor
Human Services



David Altmann,

Facilities Coordinator
Facilities Maintenance
Unit of Administration



Melissa Koford,

Financial Assistance
Supervisor
Human Services



Landon Padrnos,

Finance Coordinator
Finance Unit
of Administration



Robyn Stryker,

Social Services
Supervisor
Human Services

Minnesota Family Investment Program

- Information retrieved from Minnesota Department of Human Services

MFIP

The Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) helps families with children meet their basic needs while assisting parents in moving to financial stability through work. Parents are expected to work and are supported in working with both cash and food assistance. Most families have a lifetime limit of 60 months on MFIP. When families first apply for cash assistance, they usually start in the Divisionary Work Program (DWP). It is a four-month program that helps parents go to work right away rather than enroll in MFIP.

ELIGIBILITY

MFIP is for families and children, and pregnant women.

To qualify, your family must:

- Meet an initial income test
- Meet an initial asset limit of \$10,000
- Provide needed verifications

CASH AND FOOD ASSISTANCE

Cash and food benefits are issued automatically through an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card (DHS-6315). Benefits change depending on income. Participants are better off working when on MFIP. The first \$65 you earn does not count when you get a job. After that, half of the earnings are not counted in deciding the benefit amount.

APPLY

You can apply:

- Online at [MNbenefits.mn.gov](https://mnbenefits.mn.gov).
- Paper application (DHS-5223). Mail or bring the complete form to Renville County Human Services, located at 105 - 5th Street South, Suite 203H, Olivia, Minnesota. You can request to have an application mailed to you by calling 320-523-2202 or pick one up at Human Services or a local city office in Renville County.

BENEFITS

Families get a monthly benefit that includes cash and food assistance. Parents also get help to find and keep a job. Most people work with a job counselor to create an employment plan. If you are younger than 20 and have not completed high school or an equivalency program, you may need to finish your education. Your job counselor or social worker will help you develop a plan to get your high school diploma or go to work. MFIP participants may get child care help while looking for work, going to school, or working.

If you have additional questions, contact the Renville County Human Services Financial Assistance team at 320-523-2202.

Renville County Soil & Water Conservation District and Hawk Creek Watershed Project to Host Fall Soil Health Event

- Submitted by Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District



The Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and the Hawk Creek Watershed Project (HCWP) will be hosting a soil health field day for the whole family on September 17, 2022, at the farm of Phil Smith in western Renville County. Adults can listen to the keynote

speaker, Gabe Brown, who has been named one of the twenty-five most influential agricultural leaders in the United States, check out some cover crop mixes and species exhibitions, equipment, vendor booths, and learn about different soil health practices like no-till and strip-till, while the kids will get to participate in fun activities. This event is meant to be an open discussion between farmers to converse about how they are implementing soil health on their farms, what has been successful for them, and what has been problematic, whether it is cover crop establishment, weed management, etc.

Attendees can visit with local producers who are applying soil health practices, such as cover crops and reduced tillage, into their corn, soybean, sugar beets, and small grain rotations. Different no-till/strip-till techniques and equipment, along with various cover crop application types, will be shown. HCWP and SWCD staff will be present to provide insight into soil health practices and answer questions.

The agenda is still being finalized and will be posted on the SWCD and HCWP websites www.renvillewcd.com and www.hawkcreekwatershed.org, as well as other outreach outlets, such as Facebook and Twitter. As the date approaches, look for a soil health newsletter and postcard in your mailbox and catch the ads over the local radio waves for more details on the field day.

If you have any questions, contact the Renville County SWCD at 320-523-1559.



Photo: Field Scale Cover Crop Plots

Home Safety: Healthy Housing Assessments Offered by Renville County Public Health



When it comes to health and safety, preventing injuries in the home is essential to all ages. **In 2020, 1 in 10 people in the United States experienced an unintentional injury originating in the home.** This is greater than injuries occurring in public places, the

workplace, and motor-vehicle crashes combined (*National Safety Council, 2022*).

Falls are the leading cause of both fatal and non-fatal accidental injuries for adults 65 years and older. Simple ways to prevent falls in the home include keeping floors clear of clutter; using nightlights in bedrooms, hallways, stairs, and bathrooms; as well as using anti-slip mats around tubs or showers. In addition, grab bars are beneficial by toilets, showers, and tubs.

Young children are also at risk for injury due to household chemicals that are easily accessible to them. Children may find new things appealing such as medicine, makeup, household chemicals, or alcohol. Always buy products in child-proof containers and only get medicines with child-proof caps. Keep all hazardous products and chemicals in locked cabinets away from children who live in, or visit, the home. If poisoning is ever confirmed or even suspected, contact Poison Control right away at 1-800-222-1222. Keep this number easily available, such as posted on your fridge.

Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are also another vital aspect of home safety and preventing injury. No amount of carbon monoxide is safe to breathe and it cannot be seen, tasted, felt, or smelled. A simple installation of a detector, both smoke and carbon monoxide, will prevent prolonged exposure in an emergency situation. A carbon monoxide/smoke detector should be located on every level of a home and an additional smoke detector should be placed near every sleeping area.



If you or someone you know is interested in having a healthy housing assessment done by a Public Health Nurse, please call Renville County Public Health at 320-523-2570.

Source: National Safety Council (2022). Deaths in the home.

Kandiyohi - Renville County

SHIP

MINNESOTA STATEWIDE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP



SHIP is funded through the MN Department of Health and is part of Renville County Public Health. SHIP is making a difference through prevention and positive health strategies in our community. In 2020-2021 SHIP distributed \$60,583 and provided technical assistance to 23 partner sites.

HEALTHY EATING

Support for Renville County Farmer's Markets, Renville County Food Shelf and Community Gardens.



ACTIVE LIVING

Supporting area cities Active Living plans, Worksite Wellness, Renville County Parks Trail signage and Adaptive bikes for ACTS.

TOBACCO CESSATION

Tobacco education programs, Anti-Vaping campaigns, stronger tobacco ordinances in Renville County.



SHIP PROVIDES HEALTH STRATEGIST TIME TO :

- **Renville County ACES Coalition**
- **RAPAD** (Renville Alliance for the Prevention of Alcohol & Drugs)
- **BOLD Community Education Board**
- **Chalkboard Collaborative-** Bird Island
- **Renville County Housing Committee**
- **CCT** (Central Community Transit)
- **City of Olivia Parks Board**

Learn more about SHIP by contacting Jeff Filipek, Renville County SHIP Coordinator at 320-523-3784 or jeff@rentvillecountymn.com

Duke: Renville County Sheriff's Office's First K-9 Retires



Renville County Sheriff Office's K-9 Duke

has been assigned to Deputy Luke Jacques throughout his career. Through their nine-year partnership, Luke and Duke played a key role in recovering controlled substances, locating people that were missing, and searching for and apprehending individuals that had fled from law enforcement. Luke and Duke have made many appearances at special events, civic group meetings, and have talked to hundreds of kids at area schools about the Sheriff's Office, law enforcement, and police K-9s.

"Duke's first week at work began the legacy that Duke will leave at the Sheriff's Office," said Renville County Sheriff Scott Hable. ***"Right from the start, he was making his mark on fighting crime and keeping people safe."***

On Duke's first case, he alerted Deputy Jacques to the presence of drugs and was responsible for the recovery of 10 ounces of methamphetamine and the seizure of \$2,200 in drug money seized from an individual passing through Renville County distributing the dangerous drug. Over the years, many more cases followed.

In addition to being a narcotics-detecting dog, Duke was trained in tracking human odor and in criminal apprehension, which includes holding suspects when instructed to do so.

However, in multiple instances, Duke's mere presence and loud barking was enough to convince suspects to surrender. ***"Duke's bark, ferocious growl, and huge teeth are very intimidating."*** said Deputy Jacques. ***"However, he is one of the most loving and approachable K-9s, especially with kids, that I've met. He can turn his aggression on and off like it's on a switch."***

The Renville County Sheriff's Office announces the retirement of their K-9, "Duke."

On patrol since 2013, Duke was the Renville County Sheriff's Office's first K-9 and

"Duke has been an invaluable asset to the Sheriff's Office and the community," continued Sheriff Hable. ***"Through his work on the streets finding drugs, searching for missing people and catching bad guys, to helping build trust with kids and the community through so many positive interactions, Duke has undoubtedly served Renville County well."***



Duke's success as the Sheriff's Office K-9 was not only a result of Deputy Jacques' commitment to the program, but also because of support received from various sources within the community. As an example, not long after Duke began his work, an anonymous donor came forward and donated the protective ballistic vest that Duke wore. Further, Duke received high-quality veterinary care throughout his career, which was donated by Dr. Diane Hansgen at the Fairfax Veterinary Clinic and Chiropractor Brian Boen at Health Enhancement in Bird Island. A separate anonymous donor donated all of Duke's food.

Following his retirement, which is due to his age and declining physical abilities, it is anticipated that Duke will continue to live with Deputy Jacques and his family, which is where he has resided throughout his life. As one could imagine, as the Jacques family has grown over the years, Duke has become part of the Jacques family and protector of not only Luke, but also his wife and each of their children.

"Duke has been a really great dog and it has been an honor to be his handler." concluded Deputy Jacques. ***"We're looking forward to allowing him to live life at a much slower pace in retirement."***



Above: Duke climbing an A-frame in an agility course.

SOME OF LUKE AND DUKE'S MOST NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE:

Career Stats

- 380 Deployments
- Recovery of 1,245 grams of controlled substances
- Assisted in the apprehension of five individuals who fled from law enforcement

Awards

- 2nd place Team in Agility at United States Police Canine Association in 2015
- 3rd place Team in Suspect Search by United States Police Canine Association in 2014
- 5 Patrol Case Medallions from the United States Police Canine Association for his work in tracking and apprehension
- Patrol Case of the Quarter – National Police Canine Assn. – Second Quarter 2020



Above: Duke pictured with various awards that he and Deputy Jacques have won.

OTHER FUN FACTS ABOUT LUKE AND DUKE:

- Although Duke was born in Minnesota, Duke's parents, grandparents, great-grandparents (and five more generations before them!) were police dogs in the Czech Republic.
- Out of a choice of five names, "Duke," was the name chosen by students of Renville County schools. Their choices at the time included Duke, Ace, Axle, Titan and Diesel.
- Duke's favorite treat is a raw hide.
- Duke's favorite game to play is "Chuck-it" at the park. It involves fetching a tennis ball from long distances.

- Duke's closest friends to play with are a black lab named Hank and a pug named Buster.
- Deputy Jacques' children have nicknamed Duke, "Bubba."
- When at work, Duke rides in a special enclosure in the back of Deputy Jacques' squad car. The car is specially equipped to, among other things, automatically roll the windows down and start fans if the temperature inside gets too high.
- In addition to his work with the Sheriff's Office, Duke was assigned with Deputy Jacques as a SWAT Officer with the Brown-Lyon-Redwood-Renville Emergency Response Unit (SWAT Team).
- While at the Sheriff's Office, Duke usually makes his way around the office to "visit" all of the deputies, dispatchers and other staff, who usually greet Duke with a back scratch or a treat.
- Deputy Jacques' most memorable event with Duke was the apprehension of a suspect who had fled from a traffic stop. It was a very hot summer day with high humidity and not ideal tracking conditions. They tracked the suspect for several miles through a series of fields and ditches. Because of the high heat, Deputy Jacques would occasionally carry Duke on his shoulders to give him a rest. Ultimately, Duke located and apprehended the subject, who was taken into custody for several outstanding arrest warrants and for fleeing from police.

Duke's last scheduled shift was April 28, 2022. We wish him a long, and well-deserved retirement!

The Renville County Sheriff's Office is hoping to acquire another dog in the near future to replace Duke and continue the K-9 program in Renville County.



Above: Duke with Deputies Jacques and Nelson, pictured with drugs and money that Duke had alerted to in the vehicle in the background. This was Duke's first official case.

Restorative Justice

Restorative Justice is a fundamental change in approach when working to repair damages caused from crimes or wrongdoings within a community. This is not only a restorative philosophy but a way of life that emphasizes the need to restore the relationships harmed in these situations.



What is a Circle? The Circle process is an intentional way of gathering and organizing effective group communication, building relationships, establishing accountability, problem solving, and healthy decision making. As a group, members work with the family or individual to determine what they can do to repair the harm they have caused by the circumstances that brought them to Circle. While in Circle participants and volunteers discuss what is going well, what is not going well, and potential next steps to head in the right direction.

YOU can make a difference: Become a Restorative Justice Volunteer Today!

This is a great way to get involved with people in your community or the one down the road. **The need for connection, support, and mentoring continues to grow as evidenced by the times we are in.** With that comes the reality that the number of youth, and families in need of extra support are certainly not declining. Your time and willingness to listen to someone's life story, and share the lessons learned from your own can make a difference that neither one of you would have ever imagined possible.

Do you have two hours every other week to spare to participate in conversations and mentoring of folks that are awaiting your support? If this sparks something within you, please don't be afraid to reach out and ask more questions or visit the Restorative Justice Department page at:
www.renvillecountymn.com

If you are interested in volunteering to support families in your community, please contact Andrew Peltz, Restorative Justice Coordinator, at 320-522-1573 or AndrewP@renvillecountymn.com.

"It (volunteering) is an investment with great gratification. In the end - most importantly - life comes down to relationships. To help one person is to help oneself. It cannot be one without the other. Inspired. Blessed. Restored."

– Restorative Justice Volunteer

Electronics/Appliance Disposal Rates Predicted to Increase. The Time to Purge These Items is Now!

With inflation on the rise and increasing costs in fuel and labor, now is the time to properly dispose of your working/non-working, outdated and/or obsolete electronics and appliances before prices go up or program changes make disposal options less convenient. Many of these items are probably sitting around gathering dust in your basement, garage, shed - or worse - in your grove.



At almost every electronics and appliance collection, at least one resident will say **"This trailer is full of items that came from a relative's place."** or **"This stuff sat around for years, and they (a relative) wouldn't get rid of it, so I'm stuck hauling AND paying for disposal."**

Rather than imposing your burden on a loved one in the future, why not act now by disposing of your own items at one of these inexpensive and convenient collections? (*Remaining 2022 collection dates are July 13, September 14, and October 12*). If you or someone you know can load your items, one of the S.W. Inc. team members will unload them (*in record time*) while you stay seated in the comfort of your vehicle.

Please remember that anything with a cord should be disposed of at one of these collections. Currently, MANY of these items can be disposed of free of charge! There are a few items that do have a minimal fee, including televisions and computer monitors (\$25) and printers, scanners, copiers, VCR/DVD players and stereos (\$10). **This is not an exhaustive list.*

Items that don't necessarily fit into "appliances or electronics" categories, but can still be disposed of at no cost:

- Gas and charcoal grills
- Smokers (*standard or electric*)
- Metal hot water heaters (*no high efficiency plastic ones*)
- Furnaces (*heating/cooling units*)
- Treadmills, exercise bikes, fans, small household appliances
- Lawnmowers/bicycles
- Satellite dishes
- Trampoline legs, scrap metal

Before prices go up, the time to recycle/dispose of these items is now! Keeping these items out of the landfill leaves room for waste that cannot be recycled. **A GREENER EARTH...IS A CLEANER EARTH.**

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

1. Website: www.renvillecountymn.com (Click on RRRSWA-Solid Waste link under Departments Tab.)
2. RRRSWA: 320-523-8002 or 507-637-1800
3. Facebook: "Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority"
4. S.W. Inc.: 1-800-366-8665

Mental Health Awareness: Get the Help You Need

Since the start of the pandemic, more people are talking about mental health and are starting to see it for what it is: one important component of overall health and well-being, just like physical health. But mental health conditions, resources, and conversations can still feel complicated.

There's often no one single cause for a mental health condition. Instead, there are many possible risk factors that can influence how likely a person is to experience a mental health condition or how serious the symptoms may be. Some risk factors for mental health conditions include: trauma; your environment and how it impacts your health and quality of life; genetics; brain chemistry; and your habits and lifestyle.

Our society focuses much more on physical health than mental health, but both are equally important. Help is out there, and recovery is possible. It may be hard to talk about your concerns, but simply acknowledging to yourself that you're struggling is a really big step. While you may not need this information today, knowing the basics about mental health will mean you're prepared if you ever need it.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES:

- 24/7 Crisis Text Line: Text MN to 741-741
- 24/7 Woodland Centers Mobile Crisis: Call 320-231-9158 or toll free 1-800-432-8781
- Renville County Children / Adult Mental Health Case Management: Call 320-523-2202
- Mental health screening at mhascreening.org

Together, help us spread mental health awareness. Everyone should have the support needed to thrive!



Child Abuse Prevention Starts With You



Above: Renville County Human Services team members wear blue in support of Child Abuse Prevention.

The month of April recognizes Child Abuse Prevention efforts. Renville County Human Services encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making Renville County a better place for children and families. By

ensuring that parents have the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to care for their children, we can help promote the social and emotional well-being of children and youth and prevent child maltreatment within families and communities.

If you suspect that a child is undergoing abuse, it is critical to report it — and to continue reporting each separate incidence if it continues to occur. Each report you make is a snapshot of what's going on in the family. The more information you can provide, the better the chance of the child getting the help they deserve.

To report suspected abuse or neglect of children, please call Renville County Child Protection at 320-523-2202 and ask to speak with the intake worker.

Low-Interest Loan Programs for Well and Septic Improvements

Renville County administers low-interest loan programs to assist property owners with upgrading or replacing a failing septic system and/or for repairing or replacing a damaged or contaminated well. Loan terms are for 10 years with an interest rate of 3%. This loan amount is added to property taxes as a special assessment with payment due twice a year along with property taxes.

Income-Based Septic System Grants

The county also administers an income-based grant program that is available to property owners in Renville County that have an existing noncompliant septic system. Funds are intended to fix septic systems that are currently failing codes or functionality.

Minimum Grant Qualifications:

- Funding must be for a homesteaded single-family home with an existing, failing subsurface sewage treatment system (SSTS) in Renville County
- The applicant must be the owner of the property
- Taxes must be current
- Income guidelines must be met

A full listing of guidelines is available at www.renvillecountymn.com or by contacting Environmental Services at 320-523-3768 or ES@renvillecountymn.com





Pesticide Container Collection

Location

Renville County Landfill
32877 County RD 4 | Olivia, MN 56277

Date/Time

September 7, 2022
8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

• **Renville County will only accept 250 jugs or less without an appointment. Call 320-523-3759.**

• **CHEMICAL CONTAINERS CAN, AND SHOULD, BE RETURNED TO RETAILERS FOR RECYCLING. (CONTACT YOUR RETAILER).**

Follow these guidelines before bringing us your jugs:

Containers: Only rigid high-density polyethylene (HDPE) are accepted

Size: Small up to 55-gallon drums accepted

Clean: Triple rinse the jugs to remove all residue and allow to dry

Twine/Bags: **(Optional)** Jugs can be tied together with twine or bagged

Stains: Certain products discolor plastic and will be accepted provided no material can be smeared with a plastic glove

Label: Labels and booklets must be removed

Caps: Caps and foil seals must be removed

Unacceptable: Containers that do not meet these guidelines will be rejected

ACCEPTABLE



Containers, thread, and lip are clean.



Handle and neck stained but clean.



Inside stained but rinsed clean.



Inside is clean and dry.

NOT ACCEPTABLE



Dried formulation on container.



Dried formulation on thread.



Bottom is caked with dried residue.



Liquid residue in container.



Renville

COUNTY

Service · Stewardship · Shared Responsibility

2022 EVENTS

May 25 -
October

Renville County Market, Cultural Centre,
Bird Island (Wednesdays 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

June 4 -
September

Buffalo Lake Farmer's Market,
Buffalo Lake (Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - Noon)

Mid June -
September

Fairfax Farmer's Market,
Fairfax (Tuesdays 4:00 p.m.)

June 9 - 12

Sugar Beet Days, Renville

June 11

Big Cup Golf Tournament, Sons of
the American Legion, Olivia

June 14

Flag Disposal, American Legion, Olivia

June 15 - 19

Island Days, Bird Island

June 23 - 26

Dayz of Thunder, Fairfax

June 29

Classic Car Roll In, American Legion, Olivia

July 4

Independence Day Celebration, Morton

July 5 - 10

Corn Chaff Days, Hector

July 6 - 10

Danube Fun Days, Danube

July 13 - 17

Summerfest, Sacred Heart

July 14 -
October

Olivia Farmer's Market,
Olivia (Thursdays 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.)

July 18 - 24

Buffalo Lake Days, Buffalo Lake

July 22 - 24

Catfish Derby Days, Franklin

July 25 - 31

Corn Capital Days, Olivia

July 27

Classic Car Roll In,
American Legion, Olivia

July 30

Wogen Outdoor Adventure,
Pond Park, Olivia

July 31

Lions Fly-In Breakfast, Olivia

August 2

Fairfax National Night Out, Fairfax

August 2

Renville National Night Out, Renville

August 5

Renville County Walk in the Park, Olivia

August 10 - 12

Renville County Fair, Bird Island

August 13

Ride to Remember

August 14

Bechyn Czech Festival, Bechyn

August 31

Classic Car Roll In, American Legion, Olivia

September 10

Renville County Fireman's Rib Cook Off,
American Legion, Olivia

September 17

HOB0 Days, American Legion, Olivia

September (TBD)

Hector Lion's Fly-In Pancake Breakfast,
Municipal Airport, Hector

October 29

Fall Festival, Renville

December 2

Old Fashioned Christmas, Bird Island

December 3

Tree Lighting & Family Event, Renville

December 7

Taste of Bechyn, American Legion, Olivia

December 10

Fireman's Pancake Breakfast, Renville

December (TBD)

Sacred Heart Santa Day, Sacred Heart



PLEASE KEEP AND POST ME!

Visit www.renville.com for
the most up-to-date listing of
community events.

Event dates are subject to change
and events may be canceled.

Known events as of 06.06.2022

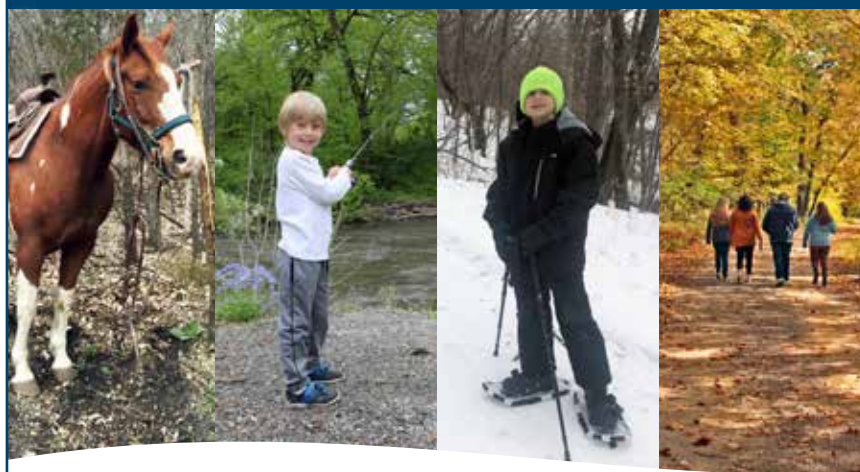
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| Court Administrator | 320-523-3680 |
| Court Services/Probation | 320-400-0711 |
| Economic Development Authority | 320-523-3656 |
| Emergency Management | 320-523-3838 |
| Environmental Services | 320-523-3768 |
| Extension (4-H) | 320-523-3713 |
| HRA (Housing Programs) | 507-637-4004 |
| Human Services | 320-523-2202 or 800-363-2533 |
| Landfill/Solid Waste | 320-523-1144 |
| License | 320-523-3612 |
| Parks | 320-523-3747 |
| Public Health Services | 320-523-2570 |
| Public Works | 320-523-3759 |
| Recorder | 320-523-3669 |
| RRRSA / Solid Waste / Household Hazardous Waste | 320-523-8002 or 507-637-1800 |
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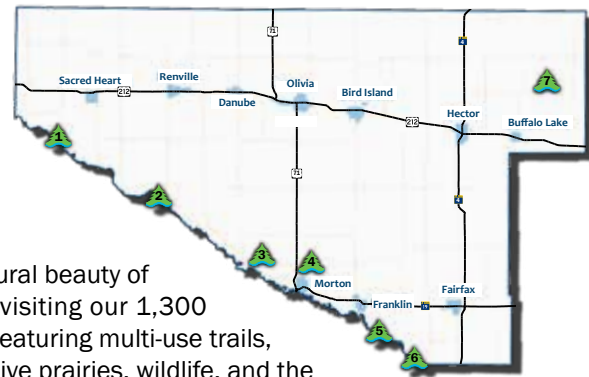
The Renville County HRA (Housing and Redevelopment Authority) is updating the Renville County Rental Unit Landlord List.

If you are interested in being on the list, please contact Raven at admin@radc.org or call 507-637-4004.



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- 2 - Vicksburg
- 3 - Beaver Falls
- 4 - Birch Coulee
- 5 - Anderson Lake
- 6 - Mack Lake
- 7 - Lake Allie

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500 East DePue
Olivia, MN 56277

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32877 Co Rd 4
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