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Sioux Valley NEWS

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camping activities.



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What's At Your Local State Parks?

The state parks in the area are continually looking to improve our visitors experience. There are a number of activities that available to individuals, families and groups. Just a few of the activities to look for in the area state parks are: camping, hiking, kayaking and kayak rentals, biking and bike rentals, lily pad rentals, basketball courts, horseshoes, swimming, fishing, weekly nature programs, movie nights, large special events and a concert series. Those are to just name a few. We invite you to visit your local parks and to participate all they have to offer. There are many new adventures awaiting you!!

• **Newton Hills State Park:** Newton Hills has many things to keep you outdoors and active. Come on out for the day to picnic, start a fire and enjoy the trails. If you have more time on your hands there are numerous campsites for any kind of camping experience. Whether in a tent, camper, cabin or lodge we have all levels of camping for you at the state park. Also rent out fun bikes for the kids, game rentals, swim beach, kayak and lily pad rentals.

• **Lake Alvin Recreation Area:** Located directly north of Canton, Lake Alvin Recreation Area is a local favorite to beat the heat and go for a swim or to go fishing! With the addition of a new playground near the shelter there is more fun to be had.

• **State Park at Blood Run:** If you haven't heard much about the newest SD State Park in 40 years, you must visit Good Earth just on the southeast edge of Sioux Falls. A new large visitor center that features a movie theater, an interpretive area to explain the historical significance of the tribes that once lived in the area, 6 miles of hiking trails, a large amphitheater areas, many naturalist programs and 3 overlook decks provides a day's worth of fun.

• **Spirit Mound Historical Prairie:** Located 5 miles north of Vermillion, Spirit Mound offers its visitors with a wide variety of native grasses and interprets the history of the Lewis and Clark Expedition to its visitors. Spirit Mound Historical Prairie is very significant as it is one of the very few areas in the country where visitors can actually stand on the exact site in which Lewis and Clark also stood upon. The park has a picnic area, 1.5 mile hiking trail (round trip) that takes visitors to the summit of the mound and back, and a reconstructed native prairie that resembles what Lewis & Clark may have seen during their visit over 200 years ago.

• **Summer Employment:** Come out to the park and work while you play! The park accepts applications year round for summer employment. Please ask for Jason for more information or send an email to the park: newtonhills@state.sd.us

• **Reminders:** If you are interest in reserving a campsite at Newton Hills and/or Union Grove State Parks, please go online to www.campsd.com or by calling the Reservation Call Center at 1-800-710-2267 – this call center is located in Sioux Falls and is opened 24/7/365



Canton Open Air Market

Open Air Market was originally started by a group of friends in Canton. That board ran it for the last 7 years. This year they came to the Chamber of Commerce and asked if we would be interested in taking over the event. The Chamber accepted as they did not want to see the event go away. The Chamber of Commerce will be working together with the Canton Performing Arts Council to continue to bring this event to our community. This event will have some changes to it this year. The event will still be on Thursday, the hours of operation will be 6-8 pm at Jack Fox Park, Thursday nights starting June 6th and going until August 8th. The Harvest Festival that is held in the fall will still take place with the location moving to the Canton Performing Arts Center. The date for the fall event is still being planned currently.

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Newton Hills Events, Entertainment & More

A quiet, shady campground draws thousands of campers each year to Newton Hills. Campers can stay in the campground, in one of nine camping cabins or the group lodge.

The four-bedroom lodge is a favorite of large groups, particularly of families and groups of hunters or anglers. The lodge features two full baths, a full kitchen, an upper deck and lower walk-out patio. The lodge is furnished. Guests need to bring bedding, bath towels, personal items and food. Contact the park for more information.

A new modern cabin and group lodge at Newton Hills offer increased comforts in an outdoor setting anytime of the year. They feature heating, air conditioning, electricity, kitchen and bathroom facilities. The facilities offer great views and all the recreation opportunities of Newton Hills.

After a day on the trail, horseback riders can head for the park's equestrian camp. The trail camp provides facilities for both day and overnight park users, which include vault toilets, water, large parking areas and day and overnight horse corrals.

If you are planning a family get-together, the park has 20' x 20' and 20' x 40' canopy tents available for rent. Please contact the park office for price/details.

Nature Observation

If you're interested in bird-watching, Newton Hills is definitely the place to be. More than 200 species of birds visit the area each year. White-tailed deer, wild turkeys, marmots, rabbits, red and gray fox and squirrels are also found within the park.

Archery deer and turkey hunting are allowed within the park during designated seasons, but uncased bows and firearms are not allowed within the park's campgrounds and picnic areas. Please refer to the hunting handbook for more information. State parks are closed to hunting from May 1 through Sept. 30 of each year

A six-mile multi-use trail leads through dense oak and basswood forest. Woodland Trail is listed in the registry of National Recreation Trails.

Sioux River Folk Festival

Newton Hills hosts a popular musical concert in conjunction with the Friends of Traditional Music. The Sioux River Folk Festival, is held annually on the first weekend in August. To learn more about the Sioux River Folk Fest and the Friends of Traditional Music, please visit the website, www.fotm.org.

FestiFALL/CandleLight Walk

Held each year on the first Saturday in October.

The popular FestiFALL event is attended annually by people of all ages, and features many family activities including arts and crafts booths, kid's games and bluegrass music. Visitors are encouraged to bring in their own decorated or carved pumpkins for judging.

The Candlelight Walk leads visitors along 2.2 miles of candle-lit trail through the deep woods of Newton Hills. The trail will be solely lit by candles and carved pumpkins. Throughout the weekend, campers are encouraged to decorate their campsites with a fall theme.

Nature & Recreational Programs

Please find nature programs and special event information listed under the 'events calendar' online at www.gfp.sd.gov. "What's Happening at Newton Hills" weekly emails are also sent out by the park each week. Please send an email to newtonhills@state.sd.us to get on the mailing list.

For any questions please contact the park at 605-987-2263 or email newtonhills@state.sd.us, and website: www.gfp.sd.gov. Campground and trail maps are available on the website as well as campsite and facility photos.

Shopping

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GOOD EARTH STATE PARK AT BLOOD RUN

Good Earth State Park boasts a state-of-the-art Visitors Center. In this Center you will find collections of artifacts, an authentic replica of a Native American lodge, displays, interpretive areas, a movie theater and hundreds of other items on display. After the dedication on May 19, 2017 the Center was opened to the public after much anticipation. Work completed over the past year also includes several miles of trail improvement, outdoor picnic areas, paved parking, a new entrance just North of Springdale Lutheran Church and much more.

This is the largest Oneota cultural site discovered to date in the upper Midwest. There are two other significant Oneota cultural sites located respectively in southwest Iowa and central Missouri.

There are several different displays that have been incorporated into the visitors center museum area. A full-size reproduction of a lodge that would have been found during the Oneota occupation gives a glimpse of how the homes were built and what it may have been like inside the lodge. The lodge was built using traditional materials, from the buffalo hides that cover it to the sinew used to secure the poles holding the lodge together.

As Game, Fish and Parks, tribal representatives and others worked on the

exhibits, movie and other features, it became evident Good Earth S.P. would utilize more than just the visual sense.

Walking into the visitors center, guests will be greeted by a smoky, light aroma that immediately reminds one of tanning hides or campfires. Walking from the parking lot to the East entrance of the Visitors Center gives you the opportunity to hear birds, animals and the blowing prairie grasses. The smells of the outdoors also fill the air as more and more land is reclaimed into prairie. The ability to touch gives all ages an appreciation for the way of life hundreds of years ago.

A special feature that has been months in the making is a 20 minute film that will loop during the day. This film, called "Awakening the Silent City" is a full-feature professional film shot on-site. The title goes back to a map drawn by R.F. Pettigrew, in which he referred to the settlement as the Silent City.

The amount of historical facts presented in the film alone will give visitors a background to pull from as they move through the Center.

Learn more about Good Earth State Park at Blood Run by visiting <http://www.gfp.sd.gov/state-parks/directory/good-earth/>

Phone: 605.987.2263

Physical Address: 48072 270th St.,
Sioux Falls, SD 57108

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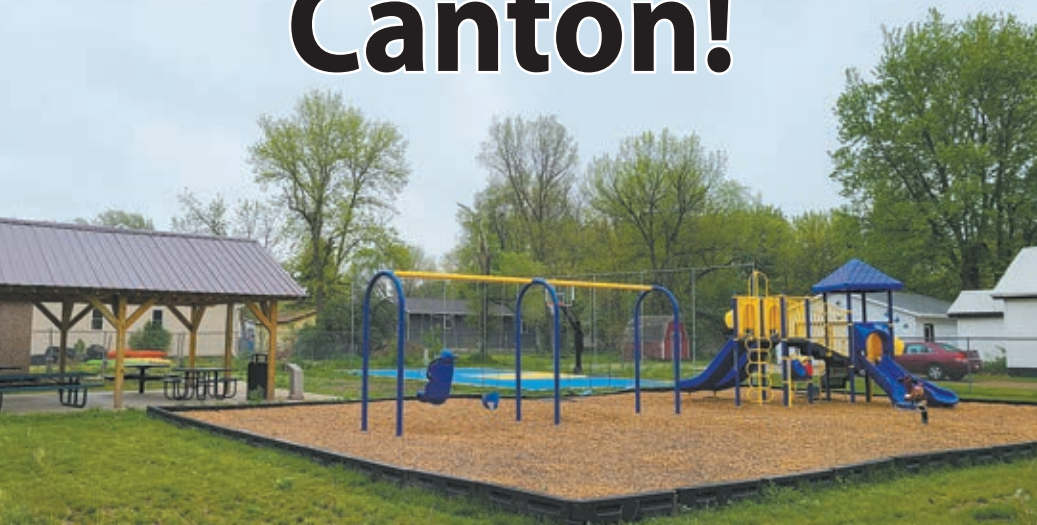
Good Earth State Park at Blood Run at a Glance:

Visitor Center Hours: Tues-Wed. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.;
Thurs. - Sun. 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Park Hours: 6 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Directions: From Canton: Drive North on Dakota St. from Lynn St. and continue North to Spring Creek Golf Course. Then drive two miles North until you see the Good Earth sign. From Sioux Falls: Head West on 69th St. and continue East to Hwy 135 and turn South. The old entrance south of the park is closed.

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Lake Pahoja Recreation Area

Lake Pahoja Recreation Area is located 4 miles south and 2 miles west of Larchwood. This 282 acre area provides a wide variety of recreational opportunities for the public's enjoyment. The 72 acre lake, which is surrounded by restored habitats, has excellent angling opportunities for large-mouth bass, blue-gill, and channel catfish fishermen.

A concrete boat ramp provides an easy and quick access. Only electric trolling motors, oars, and paddles are permitted on this beautiful lake due to its size. There are paddle boats, canoes, and kayaks available to rent if needed. Along with fishing, there is a designated swimming area that can be utilized during park hours, although lifeguards are not

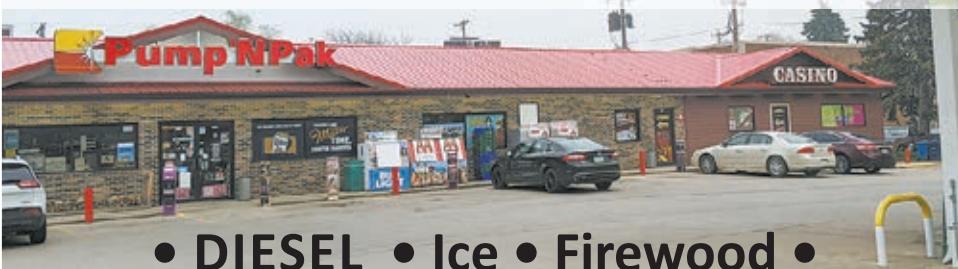


provided. The beach area has both basketball and volleyball courts near by. The area offers a total of 71 camp sites including 8 modern electrical/water and 63 modern electrical. For group gatherings, the park has 2 enclosed shelter houses along with 6 open shelters, as well as a scout area for any scout groups use. Throughout the park you will find 3 playgrounds, numerous picnic tables, pedestal grills, picnic shelters, 3 sand volleyball courts, a basketball court, a 9

hole disc golf course, 4 modern restrooms, and 3 vault toilets. There are 6 modern rental cabins available year round overlooking the lake, along a 3.5 mile long concrete bike trail that encircles the lake and a variety of natural habitats including shoreline, prairie, native trees and shrubs, and a food plot. Public Hunting is allowed in season on a portion of the area. Loaded weapons are only allowed on these designated areas.

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Each campsite has water and electrical hookups, mature trees, and an indoor shelter to reserve for your family to enjoy. Hiking Trails are popular at Inspiration Hills, providing over 5 miles of adventure. Private Cabins are like little houses, and their coziness provides a feeling of retreat and seclusion. Each cabin has a full bathroom and a full kitchen (Bring your own bedding, blankets, pillows & towels). Two Large Cabins provide two private bedrooms with two baths (Bring your own bedding, blankets, pillows & towels).

Please visit www.inspirationhills.org to view prices, register your camper for Summer Camp, and details regarding the Lodges, Campground and Cabins! Call 712-986-5193 to make reservations.

Check us out for future Summer Camps, Family Reunions, Church Gatherings, Retreats for all generations, Personal Retreats, and High Ropes/ Teambuilding Challenges!



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Canton United Methodist Church
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Spring City Wide Rummages

June 28th

Chamber Golf Tournament,
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at Hiawatha Golf Course 5-7 pm

July 19th & 20 th

Depot Days Open House
Friday 4-8 pm & Saturday 10-4 pm
Model Train Display
Food Truck, Vendors and Music

July 21st

Community Church Service
at Jack Fox Park 10 am

July 22nd

Reading and Arts in the Park
at Jack Fox Park 4-7 pm
605 Magic Art Bus

July 24th

Bike Rodeo and Parade
at Jack Fox Park 6-7:30 pm
Bike Parade, and Pizza

July 25th

Town & Country Day and National Night Out
at Jack Fox Park 5-8 pm
Tractor Parade, Petting Zoo and Pork Feed
Meet Canton Police Dept.

July 27th

Saturday in the Park

at Jack Fox Park
Parade 11 am
Inflatables, Face Painting, Music, Dunk Tank &
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Touch-a-Truck 2 -4 pm

Gem and Mineral Show

at Bethany Reformed 10-5 pm

Cruise Night 6-10 pm

Poker Run sponsored by *Canton Car Show
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July 28th

Canton Car Show
For Generations 11-4 pm

August 17th

Canton Civil War 8:30- 5 pm
Civil War Ball 7-9 pm

August 18th

Canton Civil War 8:30- 5 pm

September 6th & 7th

Fall City Wide Rummages

December 6th

Christmas Parade

December 7th

Breakfast with Santa 8-10 am
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