



# SMOKE SIGNALS

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## Park Improvement Projects

### ***Silver Sioux***

- Shut down the campground and closed the gates for the season, park still open for use
- Made 9 campsites available for online reservations
- Roads were graded

### ***Martins Access***

- Shut down the campground and closed the north gate for the season, park still open for use
- Roads were graded

### ***Licklider Shooting Complex***

- 25, 50, 100 yard range opened
- Installed a registration area

### ***Ranney Knob***

- New group shelter was erected



CCCB Christmas Tree at Sanford Museum

## Reminders & Updates

- Equestrian trails are closed until June 1.
- Licklider Shooting Complex will close December 23-March 1, weather dependent
- Unlicensed vehicles (ie. Side-by-Sides, UTVs, ATVs, golf carts) are not allowed in county parks.
- Hunting seasons are open in several county areas. Please follow all state and federal hunting and trapping laws.
- The cabins & lodge are open year-round! Visit [mycountyparks.com](http://mycountyparks.com).

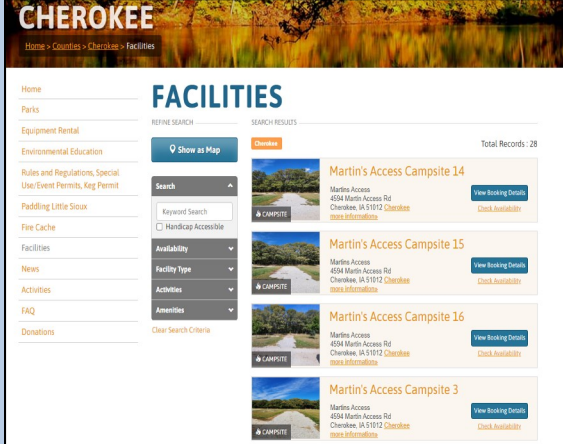


CWHHS Students Seed Harvesting at Brewer's Prairie

### Reservations Update

We now have 9 campsites at Silver Sioux that are ready to be reserved for the 2024 camping season! You can reserve up to 1 year in advance. You can go to [www.mycountyparks.com](http://www.mycountyparks.com), find Cherokee County, and go to facilities. For kayaks and cross county skis, please call.

- Reservable facilities:*
- ◆ **Martin's Access**
    - ◆ 3 small cabins
    - ◆ 1 large cabin
    - ◆ 8 campsites
    - ◆ Partially enclosed shelter
  - ◆ **Silver Sioux**
    - ◆ Historic Barn
    - ◆ Lodge
    - ◆ 9 campsites
  - ◆ **River Road Conservation Area**
    - ◆ Uncle Tom's Cabin



### Need an idea for that hard to buy for person?

We have honey for sale in our office— half pints (\$5), pints (\$10), and a quart(\$20)! We also have gift certificates available for any amount \$20 or higher to go towards campsite, cabin, canoe/kayak, etc, rentals. Call, email, or visit the office.



### Cross Country Skiing

We have cross country ski equipment available for rent during the winter season. It's recommended that the snow base is a minimum of 4 inches before skiing. That snow base protects the bottom of the skis from rocks and grass that wear down and damage the scales on waxless skis. We groom trails at Redtail Ridge, RRCA, and the MHI when able.

Our cross country ski equipment rents for \$5/day with a \$10 minimum. We have three parks with great ski trails: Redtail Ridge, River Road Conservation Area, and Silver Sioux.

#### Redtail Ridge

— 1.5 mile loop (accessed from C44 parking lot by Cherokee Rural Water)

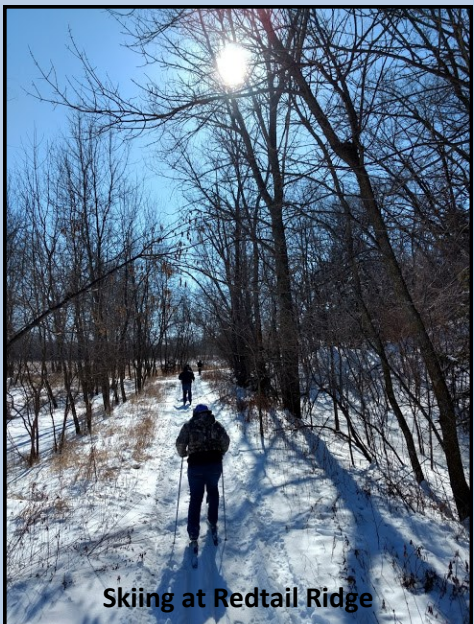
#### Silver Sioux

— 1.5 mile loop (must hike up the hill behind Barn to access it)

#### River Road Conservation Area (RRCA)

— 1 mile loop (accessed from the parking area)

We schedule cross country ski programs when there's enough snow to ski. Be on the lookout for an announcement on Facebook or our website, [www.cherokeecountyparks.com](http://www.cherokeecountyparks.com)!



Skiing at Redtail Ridge