



## Illinois Needs Responsible CO2 Pipeline & Carbon Capture & Sequestration Regulations

Phone your state senator and representative ASAP! Support Illinois House Bill 3119! Barely two weeks left to pass essential protections. Your call could make the difference! Please phone today! Your call will support responsible legislation to enact critically needed safeguards for high-pressure carbon dioxide pipelines and the massive build-out of carbon capture and sequestration targeting Illinois. [Read More »](#)



## Carbon Dioxide Pipeline Issues Events Ahead: Your Risk - Their Profits

Learn about this public health and safety threat to our area. [Read More »](#)



## Still Waiting for a Public Hearing on Chemical Discharge Concerns Near Henry

Nine months and we are still waiting for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) to respond to our requests for a public hearing. There are new owners of the pollution problems plagued Emerald Chemical/Mexichem/previously B.F. Goodrich plant north of Henry. [Read More »](#)



## Bradley Senior Makes Art That Addresses Climate Change

Environmental issues are front and center in the work of Bradley University senior photography major Stephen Pritchard. His work documenting Illinois' coal fired power plants was recently on display at the Peoria Art Guild. [Read More »](#)



## HOI Is BACK! In-Person Programs at Forest Park Nature Center

Remember what getting together with friends is like? A really great time was had by all attending the outstanding April program on Utah Red Rock Wilderness. [Read More »](#)



## Peoria City/County Landfill Expansion May Be Put on Hold

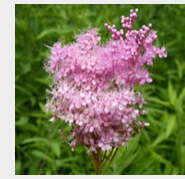
At the April 26th special meeting called for the Peoria City/County Landfill Committee, the announcement was made that an abandoned coal mine was discovered to be located about in the middle of the proposed 2024 expansion construction for the new Peoria municipal landfill. This problem may delay GFL plans to proceed with the contracted new landfill expansion. [Read More »](#)



### HOI Group Meetings and Events

#### The Importance of Prairies »

Wed, May 17, 6:30pm - Forest Park Nature Center



Doug Franks from the Jubilee Prairie Dawgs will present his perspective on the biology and physics of global warming, soil erosion and flooding and the connection to agriculture and the degradation of native soils. The role of prairie mycorrhiza in soil health will also be covered.

#### Hike at Sue and Wes Dixon Waterfowl Refuge »

Sun, June 4, 1pm - Sue and Wes Dixon Waterfowl Refuge, Hennepin



The Sue and Wes Dixon Waterfowl Refuge is located 3 miles south of Hennepin, IL on Rt. 26 (address 780 E Road). Meet at the main parking lot at the boat ramp. [See site map.](#) If you are approaching from the south on IL Rt. 26, Do NOT turn at the sign for Sandy Hollow, but proceed about a mile farther and turn left at a sign for Hennepin Farms. Note that the bridge across the Illinois River at Lacon is closed until October. The hike will begin at 1:00 p.m. Arrive earlier at noon for an optional picnic lunch. Bring your own food and beverage, and, if you would like, a chair. [Registration required.](#)

#### Rock Island Trail Hike »

Sat, June 10, 10am - CB&Q Railroad Depot, Wyoming, IL



Please join us for a hike along the Rock Island Trail starting in Wyoming, IL. The stretch of the trail from here to Toulon has many beautiful sights. The railroad started service in 1871, was abandoned in 1965, and dedicated as a trail in 1989. Meet at the old CB&Q depot, now trail headquarters, at 311 E. Williams St. Leashed dogs are permitted on the trail. This outing is sponsored by the Pimiteoui Trail Association and the Heart of Illinois Sierra Club. [Registration required.](#)

 [Check our calendar for more events.](#)

### OAKS ON THE PRAIRIE

In this quiet, fading afternoon  
you pose still and tall,  
your brown reflections painted on the pond  
in halos of rose and blue.

As I roll past in diesel gray  
I wonder what it's like  
to always be content  
to remain in one place.



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