



# 2022 Annual Meeting

Jan. 17th, 2022 7 pm at Bader Park

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**Platte PEER Group provides education and recreation at Bader Park and Dark Island Trail to enhance the quality of life of our community and protect our natural areas.**



# Where We Started

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The Platte PEER Group was established in 2003 by very passionate community members to manage and preserve Bader Park and to create the Dark Island Trail.

For 20 years now, the PPG has worked tirelessly to provide safe and recreational areas for the public to explore.

Since the beginning, PPG was created to serve the public and provide the best areas for our communities and to attract tourism.

Our mission wouldn't be possible without our committed volunteers, support from the community, and generous donors who support our vision.

# Accomplishments

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- Established DIT Trail Sponsors to ensure capital for trail improvements
- Hosted event for gathering of individuals who support the trail
- Cleared trees out of prairie restoration plot
- Cleared encroaching trees from along wooded areas
- Website featuring the Dark Island Trail
- Surface patching in areas of need



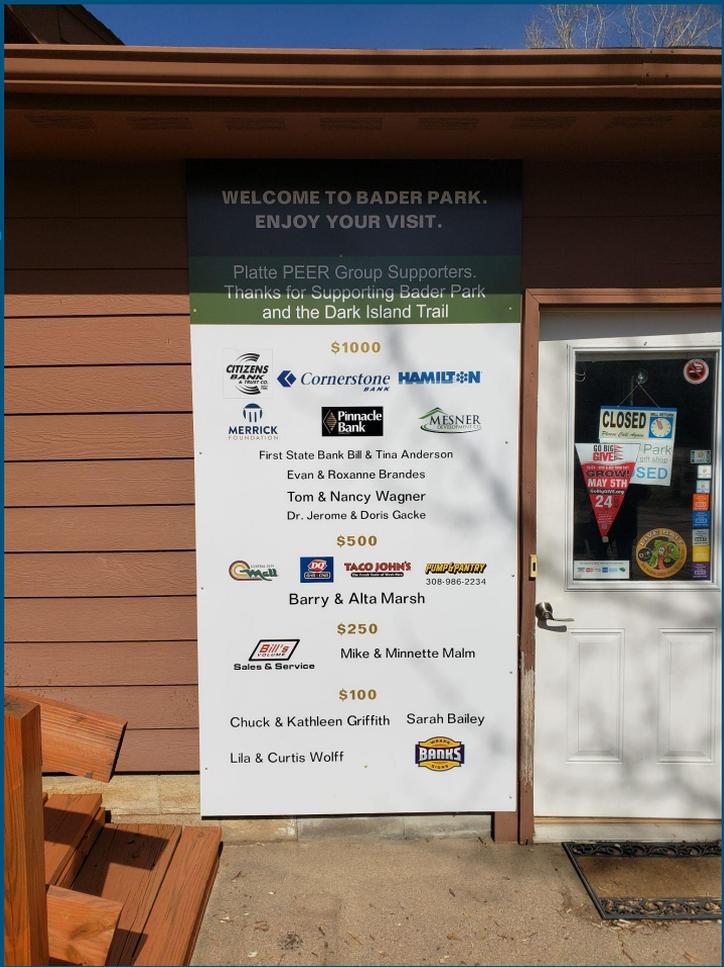
# Bader Park

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- Over 18,000 park visitors
- New website completed!
- POS and camping reservations system established, allowing online reservations
- New campground finished with 12 full hookups, 4 with electric and water, and 6 with 50 amp
- New HVAC System in the park office
- Numerous clean-up efforts such as clearing overgrown areas, trimming up trees in the day use areas, and painting







# Financials

2023

## Bader Park

Total income \$114,100

Park Receipts \$94,500

Total expenses \$129,000

Reserves \$29,677

Endowment balance \$890,480

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# Prairie Campground Expansion

\$99,400 over 2 years  
\$32,500 income in 2022  
Approx. 3 year payback



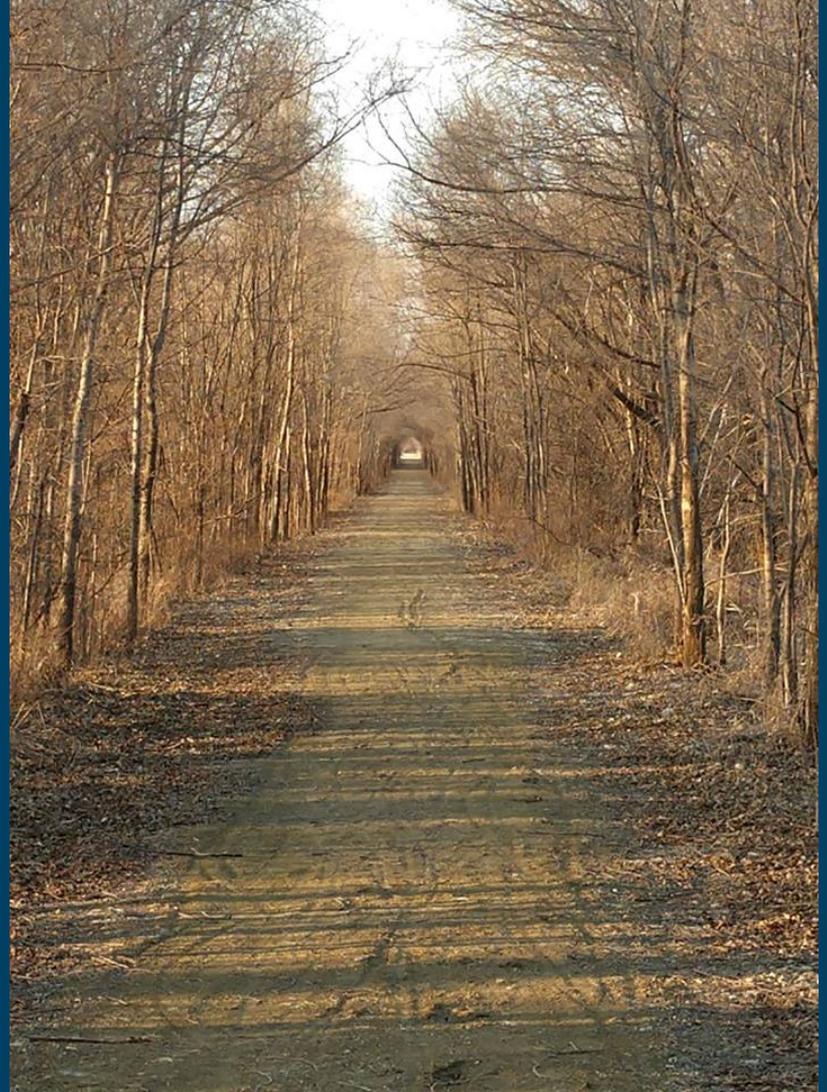
# Dark Island Trail

Income \$9,661

Expend \$4,917

Remaining balance  
\$4,744

Endowment \$12,623



# Events



Multiple nature hikes with great attendance and education



# Halloween!



# DIT Gathering

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Thank you to donors  
and great  
conversation!



# Palmer Cross Country Meet at Bader

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# Taco Rides!

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# Annual Half Marathon



# 4th of July and Funny Moments

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# Plans for the Future

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In the upcoming years we hope to

- Work to expand the Dark Island Trail
- Increase educational opportunities at both locations
- Make Bader Park more accessible
- Create a land management plan to preserve our natural resources

What would you like to see?

## Thank you to our 2022 major donors!

Dr. Jerome and Doris Gacke

First State Bank

Tom and Nancy Wagner

Bosselman Pump & Pantry

Central City Mall

Taco John's/Dairy Queen

Barry Marsh

