

The Cove

Summer 2025



Meet the Director Eric Scheve (she-vee) grew up near Indianola, IA, and has served the Methodist Camp as Site Director since 2019. However, his ties to the Camp go back longer than that. He started as summer staff in 2011 and began working year-round in 2014. The connections between Monarch Cove & the Camp are strong and go back for generations. In the summer, you will see campers at the MC waterfront while MC hosts weekly services in Epworth Hall. As Camp Director, Eric loves having great neighbors in Monarch Cove and enjoys maintaining those positive connections. This summer, Eric hopes to build on existing relationships and meet more MC residents who are not

here year-round. As Director, his main goal is to provide a safe and fun environment where children and adults can grow in their faith, and moving forward, he would like to see camp facilities updated. If you see Eric and his beautiful family around the Cove, make sure to stop and say hello!

TOP STORIES



Recycling Along with our permanent dumpster, we also have a dumpster for recycling. Town & Country *does* send a separate truck to pick up recycling, provided there are no trash items in the recycling bin. Space is limited, so please break down large items such as boxes so everyone can use the bins. Thank you for following the guidelines below.

ALLOWED ITEMS

Aluminum and metal cans (rinsed)
Boxboard
Boxes and cartons
Cardboard
Empty Aerosol cans
Foil trays
Magazines, mail, phone books, damaged books
Newspaper
Plastic #1-7 (rinsed)
Plastic bags and paper bags
Toilet paper rolls

NON-ALLOWED ITEMS

Batteries
Clothing, textiles, shoes
Diapers
DVDs/CDs
Foam containers
Food waste
Fluorescent/incandescent bulbs, CFL's,
Glass
Medical waste, sharps
Tissues or toilet paper
Tires

For the Good of the Community



Swim Area Summer is in full swing! For the safety of our residents, please help Monarch Cove's swim area serve all who use it.

Maui Mats are very popular and a lot of fun. Unfortunately, using them in the swim area limits the amount of space to swim for everyone else, especially when they are left unattended. This is also a *safety issue* as we do not have a lifeguard, and a child trapped under a mat could end tragically. Please refrain from using these mats in the swim (or boat) area. Thank you!

Fishing hooks in the swim area have been a problem in the last few years, resulting in multiple injuries to kids. Fishing is *never* allowed in the swim area or off the swim dock. Monarch Cove has several docks. Residents are welcome to use any dock other than the swim dock for fishing.



Private Community Monarch Cove is a private community, and we all pay dues to call this wonderful community home (or summer home). More and more, non-residents have been coming into Monarch Cove to use our amenities. While controlling who comes through Monarch Cove is challenging at best, please do not invite non-residents to use our playground & swim area unless they are your guests. We hate to be unwelcoming, but not only do our residents pay to maintain & repair these amenities, but it is a liability issue as well. The board is looking into signage and other options to help curb this issue, and we appreciate everyone doing their part. Thank you!

An Ounce of Prevention...



Rentals Vacation rentals continue to be a topic of concern for our residents. Concerns expressed include renters shooting off fireworks & parties/late-night noise. Please remember that the age and proximity of cabins in Monarch Cove make fireworks especially dangerous, and no one wants to be woken up at 2 a.m.

To help prevent these and other issues, please display the Blue Cards handed out at the annual meeting in a highly visible location for your renters and guests, and replace Blue Cards as needed. If you did not get a Blue Card or need more, please see Paul Hansen. The Board would like to maintain positive relationships with and between all residents and hopes this helps serve as a way to do that.

Announcements



- Board meetings - 9:00 a.m. 9/13/25, 12/13/25 (Dates subject to change)
- A huge THANK YOU to those who donated to our new playground. Extra funds are earmarked for playground improvements. If you would still like to donate, please send checks made out to Monarch Cove, subject "playground" to Paul Hansen at 21350 N. Park Dr. Spirit Lake, IA 51360. Money collected will only be used for our playground. Do not send donations to the PO box, as this goes to our accountants.
- Fiber work is progressing & Premier hopes to have homes connected this fall!

If you would like something included in the announcements, please send requests to mcbojinews@gmail.com