

# Friends of the Pecatonica River Foundation

# THE CURRENT

November 2023



The November FPRF meeting has the election of officers. Our by-laws allow the person nominated for a position on the board to decline. Burnout can be an issue, and some positions have lots of stress. The biggest asset we have is the dedication of the board members to the goals of FPRF. I thank each board member for their service and dedication this past year.

This month, we will continue to await news on our BAAD Grant application and begin planning work for next year. It is an opportunity for you to suggest projects and activities for next year. We have a request for another building project and will be working to develop a plan for that individual. Our primary focus is on paddling; the emphasis is on our community. Making our community a place others want to visit is the hidden agenda. If you have taken pictures while paddling, I could use them in the newsletter. Please share. You can see there is still work to do at Tutty's.

Joe Ginger, president

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

Everyone is invited. Bring your ideas!

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| NOV. 8 | RAFTERS<br>6:30 P.M. |
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| Dec. 14 | Next meeting. |
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FPRF meetings are the second Thursday of the month. See "ALL IN. Stephenson County" for area events.

The Best Christmas Pagent Ever  
Mighty Richland Players Nov 10,11,12 & 17,18,19 Adults \$20  
Children \$15  
call 815-819-1310

Mistletoe Walk  
Nov. 18 & 19

<https://www.eventbrite.com/d/il-freeport/events/>

**Other Events & Activities**  
Freeport/Stephenson County  
<https://greaterfreeport.com>



Watch Tom Lindblade's "Illinois' Friendliest Paddle"  
<http://bit.ly/paddlethepec>



Freeport Park District  
1122 S. Burchard Ave.  
Freeport, IL 61032  
1-815-235-6114  
[www.freeportparkdistrict.org](http://www.freeportparkdistrict.org)

Lena Community Park District  
609 N. Schuler St.  
Lena, IL 61048  
1-815-369-5351  
[www.lenaparks.org](http://www.lenaparks.org)



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This is the bridge downstream from Wes Block. It was part of the railroad that became the Wes Block trail to Monroe Wisconsin. Old bridges are an important part of our local history.

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If you are interested in improving river stewardship, promoting paddling, organizing river events, the history of the Pecatonica River and communities along the river, check our website and contact us.

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Joe Ginger – President

Mickie Dittmar – Vice President

Lee Butler -- Secretary /Treasurer

Roger Schamberger – Governmental Liaison

Mickie Dittmar & John Fritz – Fundraising Chairs

Joe Green – Site Development Manager

Betty Butler -Membership Jim Leamy - Safety Chair

Friends of the Pecatonica River Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization.

Dues are due in February. If you joined in July or later, you are good for 2024.

All donations are tax deductible and should be made payable to:

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