

# ***Whiterock Conservancy***

## ***2012 Calendar of Events***

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***\*Check our website or contact us directly for event & weather permitting updates!***

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### **September**

#### **September 13-16<sup>th</sup> Annual Star Party**

Astronomers from across the Midwest, drawn by the darkest skies in Iowa, are gathering at Whiterock in mid-September for the annual Star Party. The general public is invited out to the Whiterock star field at dusk on Friday September 14<sup>th</sup> (assuming clear skies), to see the wonders of the universe through the telescopes of over a dozen volunteer astronomers. Free will donations are welcomed.



### **October**

#### **October 25<sup>th</sup> Fall Family Hayrack Ride**

Bring your family out for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual fall family get-together late afternoon. There will be hayrack rides for the kids, apple cider, and cookies.



### **November**

#### **November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Public Art for Rural Communities**

Starting Friday afternoon, Whiterock will host art enthusiasts from around the region, as we gather to discuss how even very small rural communities can install and enjoy great public art. The event will include a tour of town art ranging from our monumental Hybrid Icons installed by Iowa's premier public artist David Dahlquist, to a variety of local pieces using local materials (think corn-planter plates!). Stay over Saturday to start your Christmas shopping at Coon Rapids' wonderful annual Raccoon River Art Fair, featuring great music, local food, and home-grown fine art.