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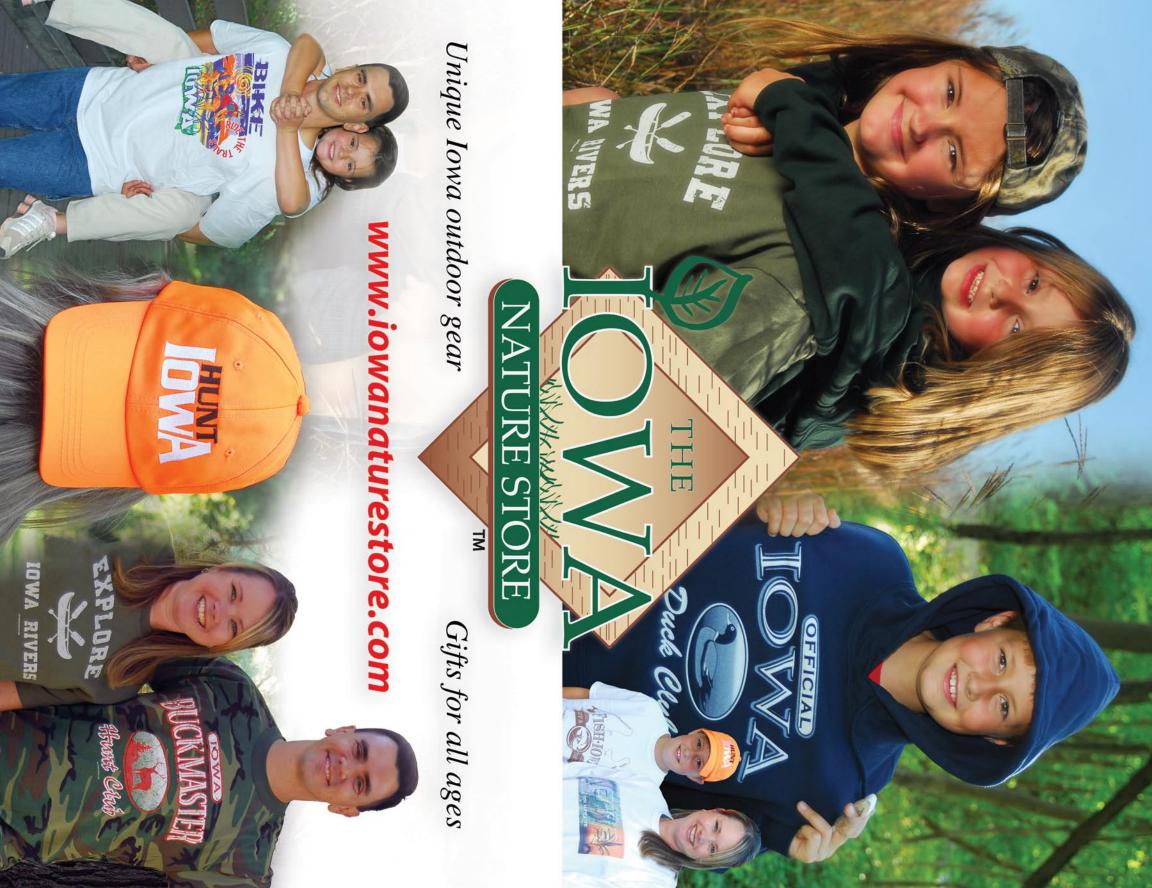
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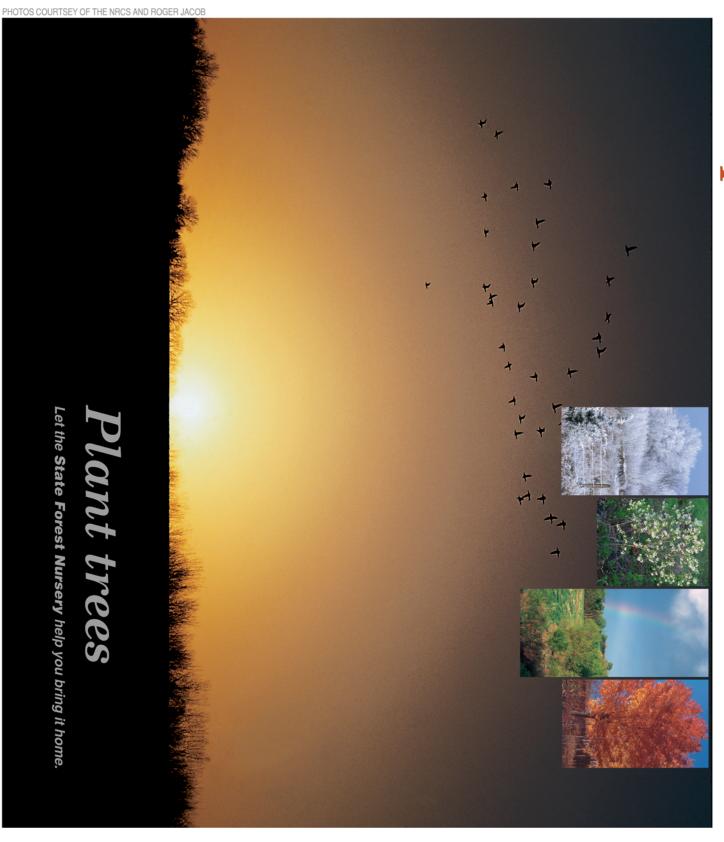


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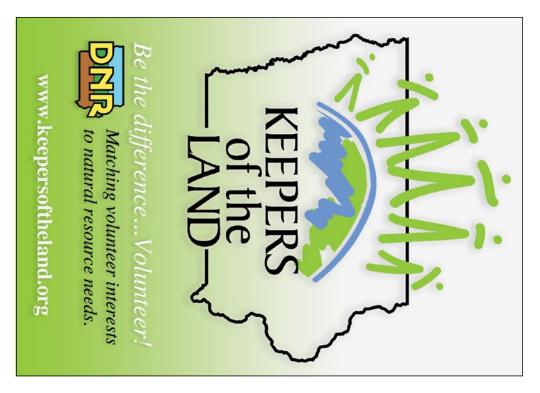
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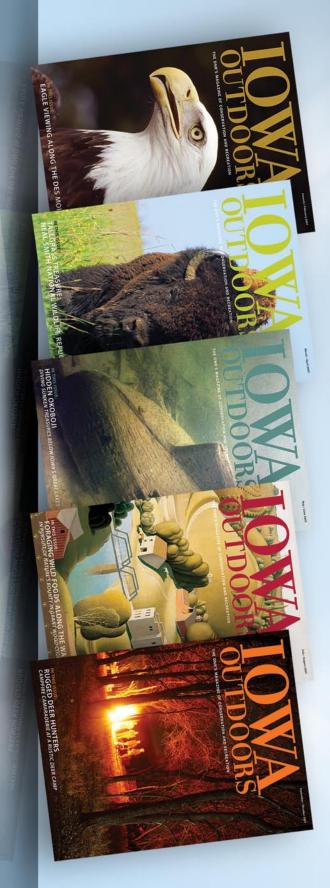
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		New Year's Day				
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					Famed conservationist, Aldo Leopold born in 1887 in Burlington. Authored "A Sand County Almanae"	
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Martin Luther King Jr. Day					
27	28	29	30	31	Eagle catches morning break- fast, Des Moines River southeast of Pella. Photo dedicated to the late Buck Visser, whose generosity	
					in allowing access to his river-side property was instrumental in Smedes capturing this photo. -BY TY SMEDES	
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FEBRUARY 2008

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Daylight Savings Time Begins 16	17	18	19	20 Spring Begins Vernal Equinox	21	22
Palm Sunday 23 Easter	Saint Patrick's Day 24	25	26	27	600d Friday 28	29
30	31		Pasque flower, Preparation Canyon State Park, west of Moorehead in Monona County. -BY TY SMEDES		IO' OUTD	WA OORS



APRIL 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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		8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Passover begins at sundown
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	Earth Day 29	30		Eastern wild turkeys perform their annual spring mating ritual at Camp Tanglefoot Girls Scout Camp on the south shore of Clear Lake in Cerro Gordo CountyBY LOWELL WASHBURN	
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Free Fishing Day						Flag Day
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Father's Day						First day of Summer
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					-BY CLAY SMITH	
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31		Preparation Canyon ushered on their way. F Monona County land promise of a better d	ts a warm glow over the Loess Hill's Unit as overnight storm clouds are Rains the day before drenched this Imark, but the weather forecaster's ay and the patience, planning and apher shows in this stunning scene -BYTY SMEDES		IO OUTD	WA OORS



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Grandparents Day				Patriot Day		
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	Autumn Begins					
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30			Mallard feeding frenzy, Winnebago River near Rockford in Floyd County. -BY LOWELL WASHBURN		IO OUT	WA DOORS



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