

## A NEW FACE



If you see this new face around Wildcat Den, say hello. This is new staff member Jordan Parsons and his family. Jordan is the new State Park Technician.

"My name is Jordan Parsons, and I am the new State Park Technician at Wildcat Den State Park. Working for the Iowa Department of Natural Resources has been a goal of mine since I was a kid. I grew up in Fort Dodge, Iowa. I obtained my Bachelor of Science degree from Southern New Hampshire University. I have worked seasonally with the Department of Natural Resources in 2022 at George Wyth State Park and recently finished my service term with Green Iowa AmeriCorps. I gained valuable, hands-on experience at George Wyth and through AmeriCorps that helped prepare me for the position at Wildcat Den State Park. I have been married to my wonderful wife, Jennifer, for seven years. My wife and I have two amazing daughters, Aspen and Laurel. I enjoy spending time with my family. I'm an avid fisherman and enjoy spending time outdoors. I'm grateful for the opportunity to work for the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and am excited to get to work."

## IOWA PUBLIC TV SHOOT

We had some VIPs at the Pine Creek Grist Mill this summer. Dan and Kenny came out from Johnston, IA, to shoot some video, and to interview two of our volunteers. The final product will air on IPTV next spring, as part of a series showcasing Iowa's portion of the Great River Road. The journalists posed questions about the mill's history, the mill's machinery, and what makes this place so extra special.



## WEB SITE

Our Web site is long in the tooth (that means it has been around a while). In the near future we plan to begin updating and modernizing it.

## DO YOU WANT TO BE INVOLVED?

Do you desire to become one of our members? We have a good crew of active volunteers that do much to help us interpret the mill, restore/preserve it, promote it, or just help out as needed. Contact any of the officers.