

# Weekly Wild Wednesday

July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021

What a Week of Wild Prairie Admiration!

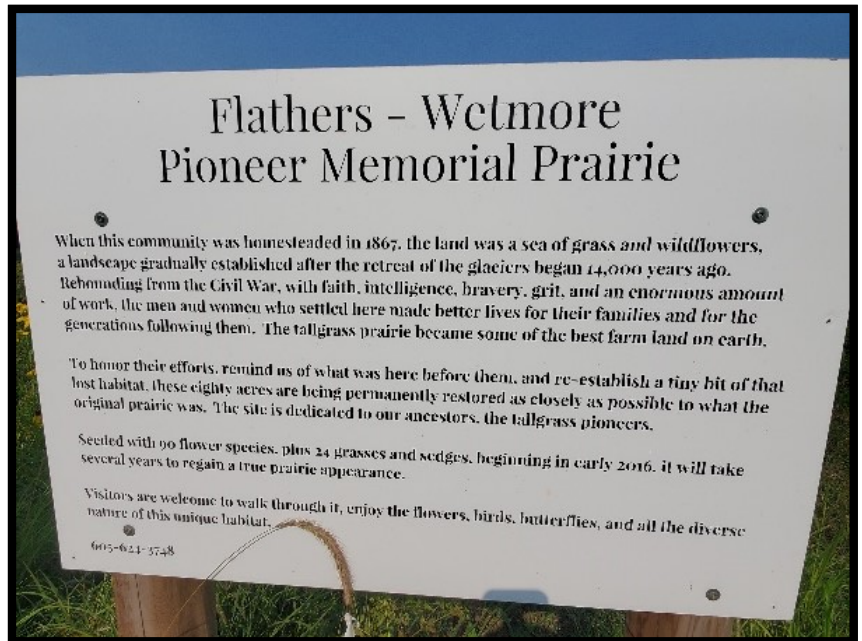


## Take a Walk at The Flathers – Wetmore Pioneer Memorial Prairie

Mark Wetmore invites you to visit his prairie restoration near Anthon at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 24. This will be a guided visit on mowed paths, so please be there by 10 a.m.

The Flathers – Wetmore Pioneer Memorial Prairie is an 80-acre tallgrass prairie recreation, intended to honor the first homesteaders, and to permanently showcase an example of the habitat that was here when they arrived in 1867.

LOCATION: It is between Merville and Correctionville, about a mile south of Hwy 20 on Lee Ave. (L21), the road to Anthon. It's just south and across the road from the Rock Branch Methodist Church. You can't



Such a treat! Mark invited Loess Hills Wild Ones, Neighbors, and Friends to tour the Flathers-Wetmore Pioneer Memorial Prairie! It is open for visits, so take a road trip following the directions below and see this stunning restoration! It is currently in full bloom and speaking of full—

Life is abundant in this gorgeous prairie-

Color, Movement, Sound!





The pots started earlier this Spring-- with Wild Strawberries as the Spiller, and Lance Leaf Coreopsis as the Thriller-- look stunning!



Wild Native Plants can be just as exciting as annuals, and serve a purpose!

Butterflies and bees are visiting these pots each day!



Dr. Michelle from Family Pet at Perry Creek invited us to come look at some sites that are all prepared for Nature Gardening!

This business borders directly onto Perry Creek, which is a natural wildlife corridor!

We hope to start with a Prairie Patch in the back, and if this goes well, hopefully expand to a few formal Native plants as specimen examples in the more formal beds. Thank you, Michelle, for this awesome opportunity to support Nature around businesses!







**At the Wild Mess In Progress, we sheet mulched for a new garden to be installed in Spring! We can hardly wait to see how this one turns out!**



**At the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center, the Partridge Pea was in full bloom, and attracting a lot of Bumble Bees! They refused to pose for a photo...**



**Never underestimate the value of a deck herb garden, or deck pots for Pollinators! The value of a small garden or some pots cannot be overemphasized! Anyone can do this and share their bounty with the Swallowtail Caterpillars growing strong!**

**Plenty of Dill and Parsley for All of Us!**



*Wishing you a week filled with "Wild Adventures"!*



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