

Weekly Wild Wednesday

August 10th, 2022

What a Week of "Wild Excursions!"

Aspen "I like the prairie, the mulberry tree, the blue stem and the wagon ride"



We had such fun meeting Colter in person to get a tour of HIS Prairie! His grandparents Bill & Dotty were our guides!

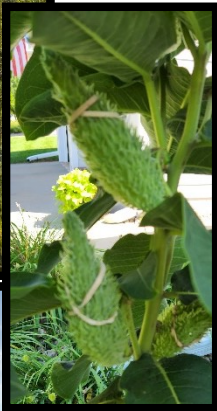
Colter's Mom also shared Aspen's Savanna photo, and we toured that as well! What fun!

On our way home, we stopped at the Friend's Memorial Pocket Prairie to admire the Side Oats Grama, the Partridge Pea along the North tip, and the as yet unidentified Native Thistle below! Help!

Below left, Marcie rubber banded residential



All prairies are as beautiful as mine & it's our job to protect them" Colter Zales



←Milkweed pods so they wouldn't stray into unwanted areas!
We can harvest them for *wanted* areas soon!

We were invited to Shawn and

Julie's to view an area they are restoring to ←a Prairie Strip! They have some UNWANTED Canada thistles from a dirt dump—Send your thoughts and ideas to manage these! Mow and

bag? Chem? Overseed? There were a lot of *welcome* Native plants in these areas as well. We popped over to Tom and Cheri's to admire their Mayor's Award in their own garden! →

← And Sioux City Garden Club admired Laurie's Flower Farm-Organic, many Natives, and FULL of LIFE!

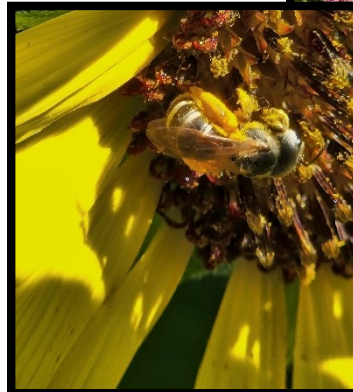


Thought I would tell you that I took four of the pressed flowers (properly mounted and identified) along with the plant press and the story of the class to the county fair last week and I got a blue ribbon! Everyone thought it was an interesting display they had never heard of.

←The awards continue! Cathie took her display from our class outlined in [a July Wild Wednesday](#) to the fair and WON! Yippee!!!!!!

We took a Meander Tour around the "Wild Mess In

Progress, and were so thrilled with the "Color, Sound, Motion" we saw! →



What's blooming and buzzing in YOUR area? If you are new to the Wild Wednesday, on many of the photos in the Wild Wednesday, there are links to details and other articles! Click to find them!

←Our Obedient Plant looks awesome! And the Purple Love Grass is in full bloom! We LOVE it, HA! →



Linda shared these photos from HER garden Meander Tour! Thanks, Linda!

Is that a [white banded crab spider](#)? Let us know!



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Nice!!!! Love it!!!!

I wasn't prepared for 3 grasshoppers in a row!!

1:43 PM

I don't get it but it is sure cute! Tri-Cera-Hops!!

1:45 PM



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Look at all the activity in the garden this am!!



Dear LHWO Members:

We are excited to announce our FIRST
IN-PERSON plant sale August 26-28!
**LHWO MEMBERS ONLY—Friday,
August 26**

4:00-7:00 p.m.: Special
Price: 3 plants for \$10.00

7:00 p.m.: Stay for a
gathering to
get to know
one another
and have
some fun.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC—Saturday, August
27, and Sunday, August 28**

9:00 a.m.-Noon \$4.00
per plant

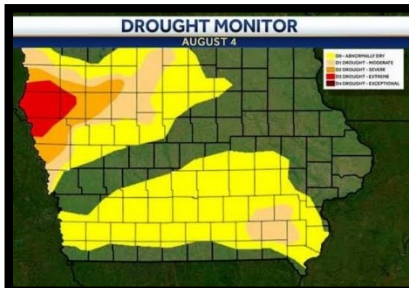
3 trays Pasque Flower
3 Oak Sedge
2 Prairie Smoke
2 Cardinal Flower
2 Wild Blue Indigo
1 tray each of:
Turtlehead Chelone
Tall Bellflower
Long Beaked Sedge
Yarrow
Great St. John's wort
Butterfly weed
Showy Milkweed
New Jersey Tea
Wild Lupine
Culver's Root
Great Blue Lobelia
Winged Loosestrife
Prairie Blazing Star
Rough Blazing Star
Purple Coneflower
Narrow leaved Coneflower
Pale Purple Coneflower
Heart leaved Golden Alexander
Sweet Joe Pye weed
Prairie Dropseed
June Grass
Monkey Flower

<p><i>Baptisia australis</i> Blue Wild Indigo</p> 	<p>HEIGHT: 4 Feet BLOOM: May - July SOIL: Medium-Wet, Medium SUN: Full - Partial DESCRIPTION: Like most of its genus, <i>Baptisia australis</i> spends its first few years developing mostly below ground. The branching foliage and blossoms become showier and more developed with each subsequent growing season. Wild Blue Indigo is one of the host plants for the Wild Indigo Duskywing.</p>
<p><i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> Butterfly Weed</p> 	<p>HEIGHT: 2 - 3 Feet BLOOM: June - September SOIL: Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry SUN: Full - Partial DESCRIPTION: This is a great Milkweed for a sunny location in a dry area. The vivid orange color, low mounded profile, and ability to attract and sustain butterflies make this plant a well-known landscape favorite for all types of gardens.</p>

If you are in the Siouxland area please come to our IN PERSON Plant Sale! Click photos for Marcie's AWESOME charts—and photo charts!!

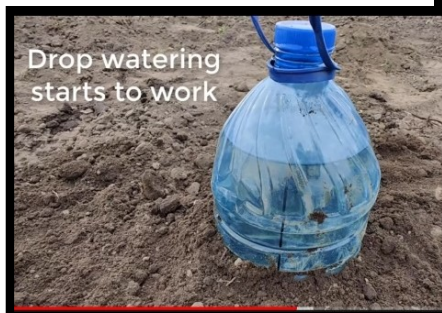
[Join us](#) if you want to be in on the Member's Only Party and Special Pricing!

Everyone is welcome to the Public Sale!



Along with our Rain Barrel projects, many of us are working hard to conserve water.

Tom is digging BY HAND--laying a line to put drip irrigation into the gardens, and we are trying out a You-Tube conservation technique at several locations with our new baby Native trees and shrubs! Wish us luck!



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IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

menu

HEAT TOLERANT PLANTS FOR IOWA



Globally this summer is about to go on record as the hottest in recorded history, and Iowa has been no exception this year. Heat and humidity can be as stressful on plants as below zero temps, and if you struggled with plants that could not hold up to the stress, there are choices that thrive better than others. You may want to add some of these to your shopping list next year to make sure your planting mix includes genera that can tough out hot, humid Midwest summers.

Many of our native grasses and perennials are heat tolerant due to their evolution and adaptation to the occasional scorching heat often experienced in prairie states. Familiar plants include species of *Rudbeckia* (orange coneflowers), *Echinacea* (purple coneflower), *Salvia* (sage), *Nepeta* (catmint), *Veronica* (speedwell), *Achillea* (yarrow), *Helianthus*

Click for YouTube Video! →

Wishing you a week filled with "Wild Excursions!"



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