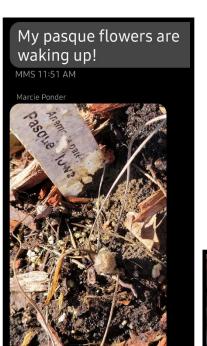
## Weekly Wild Wednesday

April 5th, 2023 What a Week of "Plants and People Showing UP!"



← Marcie sent us this! Yaaaaayyy!

In our gardens and in the Wild the Native Pasque Flowers are showing up in warm spots all around us! We took a road trip back down South to Loess Hills Scenic Overlook and...drum roll...Found our FIRST blossom of Spring!

With a pollinator happily inside!

We would love an ID of this happy little Spring insect!



<--This shot on the West side as the sun was on the East slope showed us all the different ways these plants can look in different lighting!

Look closely or zoom in to see the incredible detail of these gorgeous, TINY flowers!

Buddy and Nelle pointed them out all along the trail! Be super careful with your FEET!

And look closely at this GRAY BROWN foilage left over from last year's greenery-which comes up later in the Spring. →

That's how you can look for these flowers NEXT spring --without squishing them!

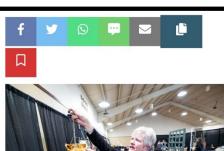






We had SO much Fun at the Siouxland Garden Show! The booth was so informative and gorgeous! Thanks to EVERYONE who helped with set up, tear down, shifts, and education regarding Native plants in urban settings! Click photo or link for the (left) upcoming May Plant Sale list & (below) Regional Designs from Wild Ones!

Plant List for Spring Sale May 19-21st 2023





Marcie Ponder of the Loess Hills chapter of Wild Ones hangs a teacup bird feeder as they prepare for the 17th annual Siouxland Garden Show at the South Sioux City Marriott Riverfront in South Sioux City, Neb., Thursday, March 30, 2023. Jesse Brothers, Sioux City Journal



Marcie made us look good for the Sioux City Journal while setting up the booth!

Thanks Marcie!

Thanks Siouxland Garden Show!

setting up the booth!

Why We Graft? Restoring Native Nut Trees To The Backyard Landscape
John Goeden/Doug Johnson/Dr. John Ball
2:30 - 3:30

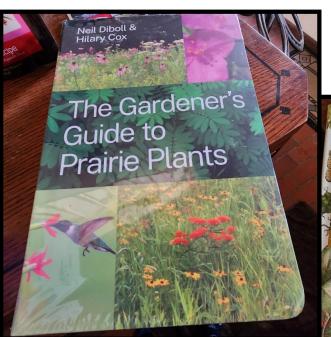
Gardening With Native Plants

Bob Henrickson
2:30 - 3:30

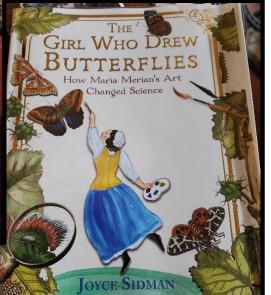
Two Native Plant topics joined the show this year!

They were both GREAT!!

And Thanks to EVERYONE who attended!!



We have not had the chance to look through ANY of the three books that were gifted to the Loess Hills Wild Ones Lending Library!



They have gorgeous covers that have us really excited about the next weather day we are stuck indoors!

We are so lucky to have such generous donors!!

You know who you are, and we THANK YOU!!

## **Upcoming Events**

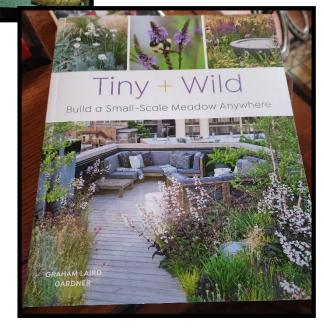
- "Rain Gardens" with Julie Perrault
  Apr 16th, 2:00 pm 3:00 pm
- "Wildflowers of Fowler Forest Hike" with Dawn Snyder

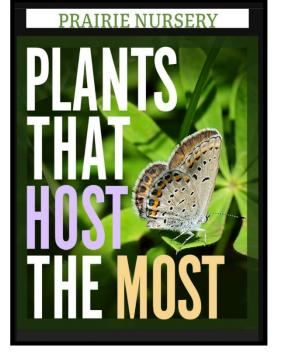
May 6th, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Spring Native Plant Sale
 May 19th, 3:00 pm to May 21st, 12:00 pm

Mark Your Calendars!

← Click photo for details of these upcoming events!!





← This incredible list of Host Plants and the creatures that use them is great! Check out the many options!

And Chris Helzer of *The Prairie Ecologist* always wows us with his information, photos, and interesting content!

Click photo for photos of the week and then take time to browse through the massive archives of blog posts Chris has logged over the years! Thanks, Chris!!







