

# Weekly Wild Wednesday

October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023

What a Week of "Annual Planning and Planting!"

Heather Holmes was an amazing and inspirational presenter for Wild Ones last week!

We have been adding the "Soft Landings" concept since we first heard her share this idea!

Click photo to download a Printable-or learn MORE about Soft Landings!

[Link →](#)

The Flower House Team has planted Choke Cherry and Button Bush along with Wild Strawberries under Dougous Tallamus (The Bur Oak named after Doug Tallamy with humor) and the soft landing there host a variety of Wild-- even while they are still quite small and growing!

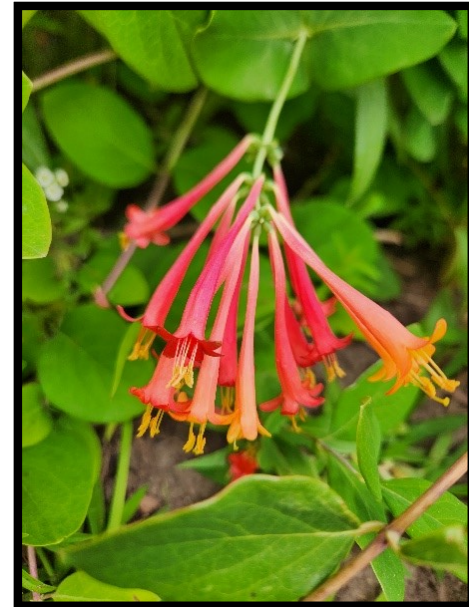
The curbside planting at The Flower House:  
Canopy-Bur Oak  
Mid Layer-Choke Cherry  
Low Layer-Button Bush  
Ground Cover-Wild Strawberry

Coral shared her Purple Poppy Mallow, and we are starting a Micro Memorial Prarie with this plant at The Wild Mess in Progress! Thanks, Coral! →

The FIRST YEAR Blue Wood Aster is putting on a show at The Flower House, along with so many Fall flowers! It doesn't seem to mind the frost so far! Gorgeous!



And the Wild Coral Honeysuckle (the plant that is NOT invasive) is still full of color this Fall as well! Woowow! [Click for details →](#)



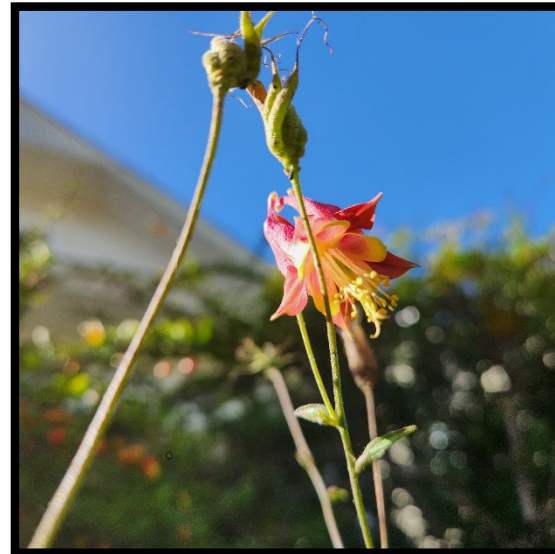
## Landscaping for Bees Lawn Conversion

### Soft Landings

Soft landings are diverse native plantings under keystone trees (or any other regionally appropriate native tree). These plantings provide critical shelter and habitat for one or more life cycle stages of moths, butterflies, and beneficial insects.

Provide habitat for one or more life cycle stages for many pollinators or beneficial insects

Below, Columbine NOW? In the Fall?





# Loess Hills Wild Ones

Annual Meeting,  
Elections, Potluck,  
& Seed Share

Sunday,  
November 12

2-4PM

Sioux City Public  
Museum

607 4th Street

New Location

Sneaky's Chicken &  
beverages will be provided.  
**BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE.**

Bring seeds to share

(please label type and source)

Send photos of your gardens

for our slide show to

[loesshillswildones@gmail.com](mailto:loesshillswildones@gmail.com)

by Nov. 5th.



All Are Invited to our Annual Meeting!

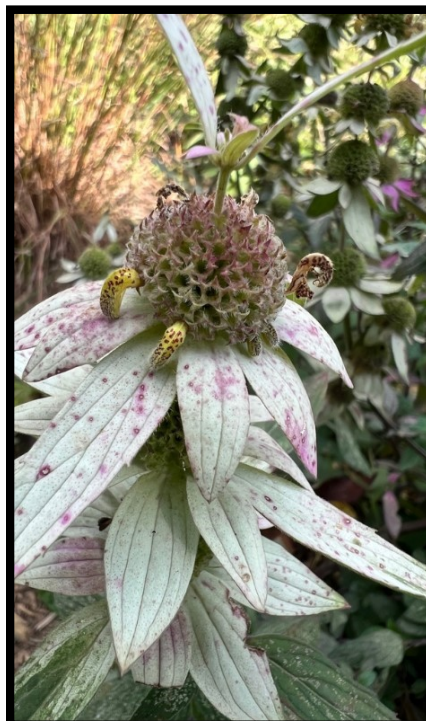
Sneaky's Chicken, Lyonnaise Potatoes, and a Potluck! Beverages provided, too! Bring a side dish to share-- as simple as a bag of chips is great!

Seed Share! If YOU have seeds to share, please bring them to the NEW LOCATION for the Annual Event at the Sioux City Museum! 607 4<sup>th</sup> Street from 2-4PM! Or get your seeds to any Loess Hills Wild Ones Board Member! →

Send your Garden Photos for a Slide Show Loop by November 5<sup>th</sup> to:  
[loesshillswildones@gmail.com](mailto:loesshillswildones@gmail.com)

Free Street Parking **Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup>!**

We can hardly wait to see you at this event, filled with laughter, sharing, and FUN!



## LHWO 2024 Slate of Candidates

**Co-Presidents:**

Ruth Rose  
Dawn Snyder

**Co-Vice Presidents:**

Cheri Stewart  
Tom Stewart

**Treasurer:**

Marcie Ponder

**Secretary:**

Danielle Metzger

**Members-at-Large:**

Jeff Salmen

Elisa Zappacosta

**Board Emeritus:**

Dianne Blankenship

Membership Vote on November 12 at 2pm  
Sioux City Public Museum

← And speaking of SEEDS—We are busy collecting and drying Native seeds such as these (With Mark's permission) from the Flathers-Wetmore Prairie!

Wish List Seeds?  
Let us know!

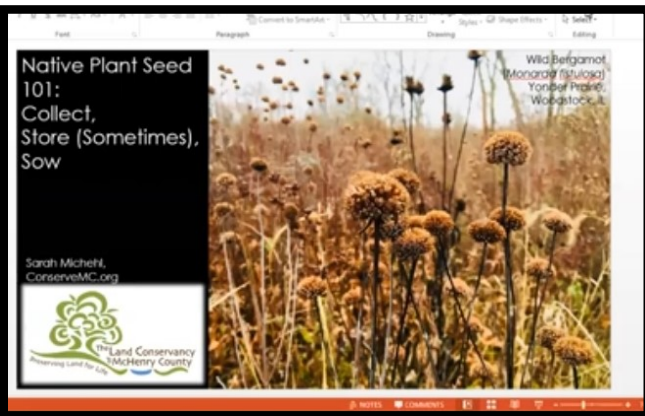
This charming nest  
is now visible after  
the leaves have  
fallen off the shrub at  
the Flathers-  
Wetmore Prairie! So  
darling!

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Far Left-One of SO  
MANY great videos on  
collecting, storing, and  
sowing Wild seeds!

Click for link!



Join National Wild Ones  
for the upcoming webinar  
fraturing The Gardener's  
Guide to Prairie Plants!

Click photo for  
registration link! →

Loess Hills has this book  
in the Lending Library,  
but it is currently checked  
out! If you want to reserve  
it, send us a note!

Upcoming Wild Ones Webinars

# The Gardener's Guide to Prairie Plants

with Neil Diboll & Hilary Cox  
16 NOVEMBER 2023  
6:00 PM CT  
Hosted by Doug Tallamy






*Wishing you a week filled with "Annual Planning and Planting!"*

