

# Weekly Wild Wednesday

July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

What a Week of "Wild Resilience & Recovery!"

The AMAZING resiliency of the People and Native Plants has been astounding! We are SO impressed with the volunteers-- they have made us have HOPE for tackling these issues-- both now and in the future! Our hearts go out to those recovering.



SO Many people, plants, and wild things have been personally impacted in so many ways by the sudden and unexpected floods. At the Railroad Museum Gardens, Dotty and La Vone shared these recovery photos and STILL plan to host a Garden Walk this Fall-- Showcasing "The Resiliency of Native Plants!" Wooooowwww!!! How do they DO it??

All gardens were flooded. Wig Wag suffered the most water w 1/2 covered with DEBRIS which a tractor with loader took off! BNSF is building 2 lane road behind, on the museum property, to access the R R Bridge restoration work. Hope you had opportunity to listen to press conference. LaVonne & I will check out plants from Kyle at Stewart's home to use to replant areas.



Keep On Blooming, Butterfly Plants! Is that a BEE I see?

Pre and Post Flood! Find what you need, Hearty Planet!

Helping with Natural Mosquito Control this week are the newest Barn Swallow Hatchlings at 'The Wild Mess in Progress!!'



The parents were not so happy with our presence with the phone camera...We got a little dive bombed...HA! Angry Bird Faces ARE funny!

Eat Hearty, baby hatchlings!! Sorry Parent Bird!

Sioux City Garden Club toured Tom and Cheri's last week! Champagne and Treats, too!



The Cup Plant, far left, held a special drink for the Wild Creatures in their gardens!



**Saturday, July 20**  
**10am - 1pm**

Local Ecotype  
Plant Sale &  
Tour at 2801 S.  
Cecelia St.,  
Sioux City

Garden  
Tours &  
Plant Sale

Garden Tour  
at  
3301 Walden  
Ave., Sioux  
City

YOUR opportunity to visit Marcie's Gardens at 3301 Walden, and Tom and Cheri's Gardens at 2801 S. Cecelia St-- PLUS our very first Native Ecotype Locally Seed Sourced Plant Sale is coming up! Grown by Coral! Thanks, Coral!

Open to the Public!

Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup>, 10AM-1PM!

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## Upcoming Events

- **Morningside Garden Tour and LOCAL ECOTYPE Plant Sale!**  
Jul 20th, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
- **Garden Walk at "Joy Gardens" and "The Wild Mess in Progress"**  
Aug 10th, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
- **"Combating the Biodiversity Crisis with Native Plants" with Sarah Gray & Coralie Palmer**  
Hosted by Wild Ones National  
Aug 22nd, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- **Fall Member's Only Plant Sale**  
Sep 13th, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- **Fall Grant Awards**  
Sep 13th, 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

← Mark Your Calendars for ALL the upcoming events for Loess Hills Wild Ones and a NEW National Event!

We also have a Board Strategic Planning Session THIS WEEK!

If you have ideas for programs, speakers, suggestions, interests, or anything YOU would like to see in the coming years, please let us know before Friday!

Not shown is the **FALL PUBLIC NATIVE PLANT SALE**  
**September 14<sup>th</sup> 9AM-12PM!**

Speaking of National, we received a box of Tabling Items that we can share whenever we host local events! See photo below!

Thanks, National!

Don't forget to look at the Wild! →



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The big star of late June has been butterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*). Here are some flower buds right before they opened.



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A single blossom that opened before its neighbors.



<-Chris continues to inspire and awe us with his Square Meter Prairie Observations!

← Click for link!

Gardenista gave us the Best Native Plant Pairings! Click for link!! →

## 2. Native Grasses + Pollinator-Attracting Flowers



*Wishing you a week filled with "Wild Resilience & Recovery!!"*

