

# Weekly Wild Wednesday

March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

What a Week of "Fellowship and Shared Knowledge!"

PLEASE come join us!!

**THIS Saturday-  
March 8<sup>th</sup> at 10AM**

We look forward to seeing you at the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center—In person! We will do our best to record this presentation!



## Nature Center Offers Pollinator Friendly Plants and Habitat Program

Learn how to help our essential native pollinators on Saturday, March 8 at 10:00 a.m. at the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center. Jamie Beyer will present the program, *Pollinator Friendly Plants and Habitat*. Pollinators include butterflies, hummingbirds, native bees and honeybees. Beyer will share **EASY** and **FUN** ways to help these critters like planting beautiful nectar producing plants. The **HARD** part is creating a different attitude and habits such as less mowing and less use of herbicides/pesticides. Truly, this should be the easy part since it requires less work.

There will be two basic themes to this presentation; "In nature, diversity is the key to stability" and the other is "the more you know the less you mow"!!

Beyer is a Lifetime Master Gardener, a beekeeper, and water garden consultant from Boone, Iowa. He has received numerous accolades for his efforts over the years including from the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Iowa Beekeepers Association. This presentation is co-sponsored by the Loess Hills Wild Ones and the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center. The free program is open to the public.

For more information contact the Nature Center at [712-258-0838](tel:712-258-0838).



Click Jamie's photo for a detailed bio- And AWARDS!!!

Head downstairs-- either before or after the presentation-- to stock up on freshly refilled seeds at the NEW Seed Library!!



**GREAT ATTENDANCE** for the very first Native Plant Day hosted by Iowa State Extension Services! Thank you, John, and all who made this day a **HUGE success!** We can hardly wait for next year! Our own Danielle, Bill, and Dotty led a robust and sometimes **QUITE LIVELY** discussion on All Things Native Plants! **Siouxland Prairie Farms, The Prairie Flower, and Iowa State University** presented as well!



- [10AM](#) (Native Plants and Flowers)
- [11AM](#) (Residential Landscaping)
- [1PM](#) (Creating or Rehabilitating a Prairie)
- [2PM](#) (Prairie Strips for Farmlands)



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Owners Dwight and Bev Rutter on their prairie.

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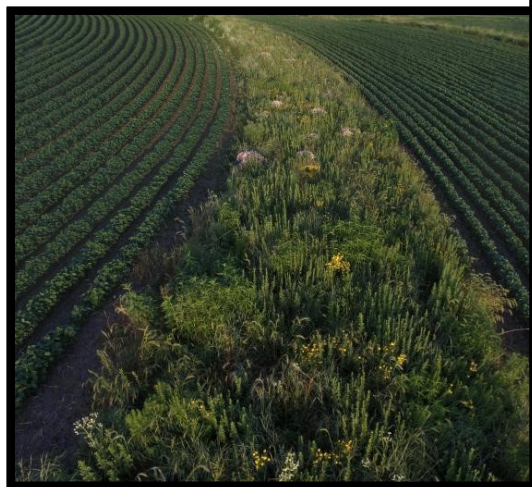
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**Iowa State's Schulte Moore named 2021 MacArthur Fellow**

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Lisa Schulte Moore's research team has produced numerous advancements in the understanding and management of native prairie on agricultural landscapes that show far-reaching environmental benefits. Schulte Moore was named a 2021 MacArthur Fellow. *Image courtesy of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Larger image.*

At the Native Plant Day break, Geoffrey shared information and his list of hand-gathered seeds for the project in Clay County- Restoring farmed public lands to PRAIRIE!!

More details will come soon!

WE took a stroll to the gardens in seed at the Iowa State Extension Orange City Native Gardens. We were so excited to see all the seed heads! The Blue Wild Indigo seeds were HUGE! And we were so pleased to see the hollow stems left in place for bees to nest! See arrow! Click photos for plant info!



If the weather keeps you INDOORS, you might want to evaluate, sharpen, and maybe even shop for pruning tools!

← Check this out! Click for link!

*Wishing you a week filled with "Fellowship and Shared Knowledge!"*

