

Weekly Wild Wednesday

August 13th, 2025
What a Week of "Wild Planning!"

Saturday, August 16
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Metzger's
Home
Gardens at
1250 Tucker
Hill Dr.,
Hinton, Iowa**

Metzger's
Garden
Walk

**Free, open
to the public.
Open yard
format.**

**View a
variety of
beautifully
designed
prairie
gardens.**

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Upcoming Events

- [Metzger's Garden Walk](#)
Aug 16th, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
- [Railroad Museum & DP Nature Center Garden Walk](#)
Aug 23rd, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- [Akron Farmer's Market Table](#)
Promoted Event
Sep 3rd, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- [Fall Native Plant Sale - Members Preview](#)
Sep 12th, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- [Fall Native Plant Sale- Public Welcome](#)
Sep 13th, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Danielle is hosting her Garden Walk this Saturday at the Metzger Gardens! We are so excited!

Click photos on this page for details of this and all the other upcoming Events and Opportunities!

Your Loess Hills Wild Ones Board and guests met for their Annual Strategic Planning Session this week, and spent several hours working towards the intricate details of the coming year!

We are all so interested in the coming events, Committee Proposals, new Board Member Proposals, and all the awesome plans and programs for 2026! Please share any goals or ideas YOU might have for the coming years!

We are always thrilled to discuss and add YOUR suggestions!



LOVE NATIVE PLANTS? WANT PLANTS? APPLY FOR A GRANT!

Native Plant Grants
Due September 4

APPLY AT:
[HTTPS://LOESSHILLS.WILDONES.ORG/](https://loesshills.wildones.org/)



It's TIME to apply for the Fall Grants!

Click for links to the Grant Forms!

Due Date September 4th, 2025!

Fall Nonprofit ELECTRONIC FILL Form

Fall Nonprofit PRINTABLE Form

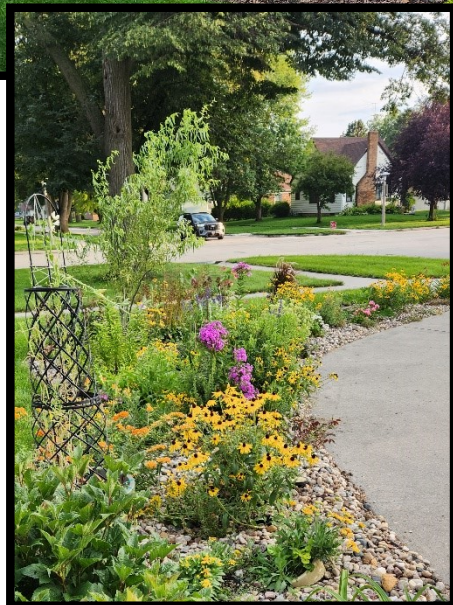
Fall Individual ELECTRONIC FILL Form

Fall Individual PRINTABLE Form

We visited one of our past Grant recipients at the Onawa Public Library!

What fun it was to see all the pollinators on their Native plants!

The signage was amazing, and the Butterfly Seats added a lovely-
- and comfortable--observation post!

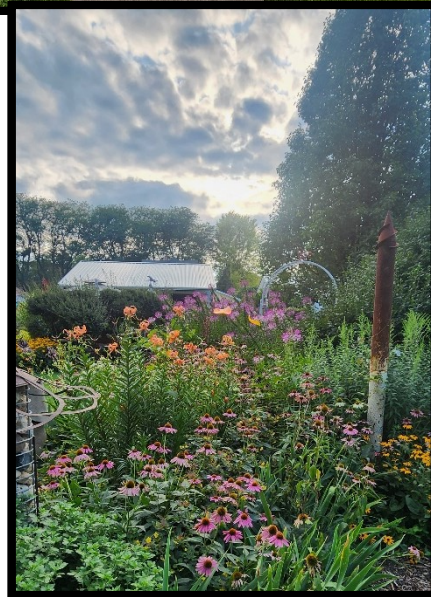


Sioux City Garden Club AND Loess Hills Wild Ones were invited to see many gardens at the Onawa Green Thumbs Garden Club Tour!

What a WONDERFUL mix of gorgeous gardens! So much FUN!

Food! Beverages! Smiles! Buzzing!
Bird Song! Laughter! Comraderie!

THANK YOU to the amazing hosts!



Quick Announcement: We are hosting two Plant Identification/Habitat Management workshops in August. The first is at The Nature Conservancy's Platte River Prairies on August 12 and the second is at the Niobrara Valley Preserve on August 19. During the workshops, you'll learn how to identify lots of prairie plants and get whatever additional information I can think of for each of them. We'll also look at various prairie restoration and management approaches we're testing and talk about what we're learning.

These are free workshops (bring your own lunch and drinking water) and will run from [9am](#) to [2:30pm](#). Anyone is welcome. Please email Kate Samuelson (kate.glause@tnc.org) to RSVP so we can contact you in case we change plans because of weather.

← Here is an awesome opportunity to immerse yourself in a set of Plant ID and Habitat Management workshops [hosted by Chris Helzer!](#)

If you are in these areas, take advantage of this incredible opportunity!!

Click Chris' photo below for link to the article his photo came from—And SO MANY MORE awesome photos!



WE LOVED seeing the various stages—often on the same plant—of the Elderberry Bushes! From flower, to greenish red forming berries, to green full berries, to ready to harvest (by us or the birds)



Wishing you a week filled with "Wild Planning!"

