

We invite you to join us!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION to the Wild Ones national organization includes membership in the Fox Valley Area Chapter. Please print legibly & include your email so you receive notifications.



Name _____ Membership: ☐ New ☐ Renew
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My membership is for: _____ year(s), TOTAL: \$ _____ + Additional Donation: \$ _____ = TOTAL Enclosed: \$ _____

If this is a gift membership, please enter your name here so we can let the recipient know it's from you. _____

Also include the reason or purpose for the gift (Christmas present, birthday, friendship, new home, etc.). _____

Circle the level of membership wanted:

	Wild	Wildier	Wildest
Household Membership.....	\$40	\$60	\$100+
Affiliate (NFP organization).....	\$90	\$120	\$150
Business Membership.....	\$250	\$600	\$1200
Limited Income or Full-Time Student.....	\$25		
Household Lifetime Membership.....	\$1500		

(Or payable in 3 annual payments of \$500)

Mail application and check to:

2285 Butte des Morts Beach Road
 Neenah, WI 54956

Or pay online at: wildones.org

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Wild Ones Fox Valley Area

As part of national Wild Ones, the Chapter, established in 1994, encourages, supports and promotes natural landscaping using native plants throughout the Fox Valley area.

Chapter members receive the quarterly Chapter newsletter, national Wild Ones *Journal*, and have access to many resources related to sustainable landscaping practices.

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Wild Ones: Native Plants, Natural Landscapes, founded in 1979, is a not-for-profit environmental education and advocacy organization. Wild Ones National Headquarters, the WILD Center (Wild Ones Institute for Learning and Development) is a 16-acre ecology center on the west shore of Little Lake Butte des Morts in Neenah, Wisconsin. It is an educational facility for sustainable landscaping practices, and open to the public. The Chapter uses the WILD Center as its home base.



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2021 Programs & Tours



Public Welcome

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2021 Programs & Tours

Feb 13 | Sat | 1:30-2:30pm | Meeting | Zoom Presentation

• Annual Meeting and Summer Dreams

Tired of the cold of winter and dreaming about summer's beauty? Do you have memories to share of your native landscape or plans for summer rejuvenation? "Zoom in" to our annual meeting to not only get a chapter update but also share with fellow members your accomplishments last summer or plans for next year. Participants will be given the opportunity to share slides via Zoom or just join to chat about their experiences and goals. Mark the date to relax and share with one another summer memories of native planting experiences.

April 22 | Thr | 7-8:15pm | Zoom Presentation

• Our Living Ancestors: The History and Ecology of Old Growth Forests in Wisconsin

Presenter: naturalist and author **John Bates**, moderated by **Joy Perry**

Join a Zoom presentation to view a recording of northern Wisconsin naturalist, John Bates, taking us on a walk through the forest. John will present a discussion of the ecological history and human history of northern Wisconsin forests. He describes remaining old growth forests in the upper Midwest and their values. John's talk is based in part on his recent book, *Our Living Ancestors: The History and Ecology of Old Growth Forests in Wisconsin and Where to Find Them*.

May 22 | Sat | 9am Start | Order Pickup | WILD Center

• Native Plant Sale Order Pickup

Pre-order your plants for the best choice of grasses, ferns, forbs, sedges, vines, trees, and shrubs. The order form will be available in February 2021. **Deadline to place your order is March 31.** Download an order form from the website: foxvalleyarea.wildones.org

June 26 | Sat | 10am-12noon | Tour | 76 Stone Castle Dr, Fond du Lac

• Camelot Pond Prairie and Gottfried Prairie Tours

With approval from the city of Fond Du Lac, **Dorothy Messner** started a prairie near her home near Camelot Pond in 2015. Dorothy will guide us on a tour of the prairie and also a nearby oak savannah she is working to restore. She will share the steps taken to bring this project to fruition. Park near Dorothy's home on Stone Castle Drive. The prairie is adjacent. Afterwards, drive to the UW-Fond du Lac campus and ramble through the Gottfried Prairie and Arboretum. WOFVA member, **Connie Ramthun**, will lead a tour of two wildflower gardens she is responsible for planting at the prairie.

July 22 | Thr | 5-6:30pm | Tour | 116 Armstrong St, Neenah

• Bernie Meyer Garden Tour

Bernie Meyer, the Barefoot Gardener, will lead us on a tour around the 16-acre slice of the family farm that she began to cultivate in 1978. She began with only a row of red pines and wild roses at the end of their private road in rural Neenah. It is now a natural garden oasis blooming with native plants and an inviting water habitat.

Aug 26 | Thr | 5-6:30pm | Tour | 2812 Schaefer Circle, Appleton

• Dennis Nagan Pond & Garden Tour

Back by popular demand, tour the property with homeowner **Dennis Nagan**, who transformed his city lot into a wildlife habitat for attracting birds, bees and butterflies. Dennis will outline the work of installing a large pond feature on his property. His covered shelter will come in handy in case of rain.

Oct 9 | Sat | 10-11:30am | Tour | 4238 Pouwels Court, De Pere

• Jim LaLuzerne Garden Tour

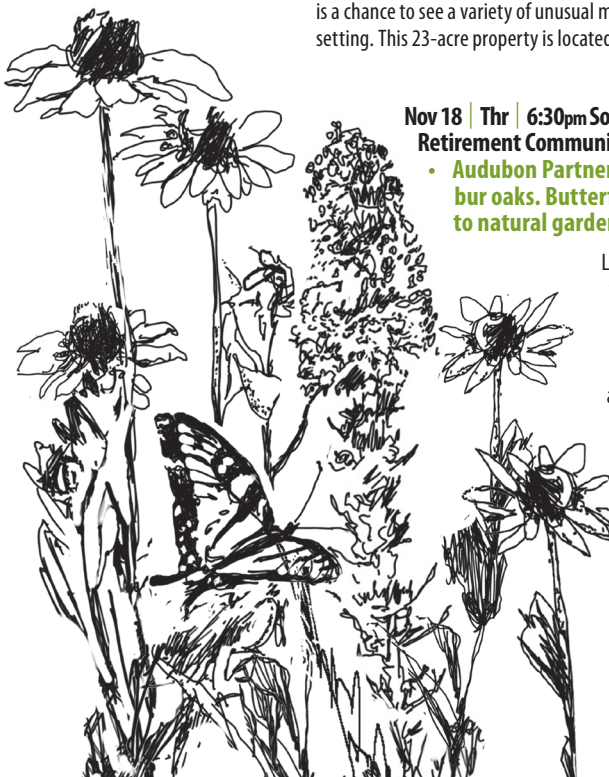
Insect-friendly native plants and habitat are the hallmarks of this unique property. Created from a barren former cornfield it now hosts well over two hundred native plants with an emphasis on woody species. Built around a small lake, other water features, and interesting structures, this country garden has one of the largest assortments of native plants in the state. This is a chance to see a variety of unusual mature trees and shrubs in a natural setting. This 23-acre property is located four miles south of East De Pere.

Nov 18 | Thr | 6:30pm Social | 7pm Program | Evergreen Retirement Community, 1130 N Westfield St, Oshkosh

• Audubon Partner Meeting: From birds to bur oaks. Butterflies to blazing star. Prairies to natural gardens.

Learn what is happening at UW Oshkosh to enhance its sustainable and environmentally friendly goals and practices. They are planting many native plants - prairies and wetlands - and putting up bird houses, bat houses, and more. UW Oshkosh Grounds Supervisor, **Lisa Mick**, and Volunteer Prairie Keeper and Naturalist, **Anita Carpenter**, will be your guides.

Watch the WOFVA website and Facebook page for program changes due to the COVID-19 virus



- Programs/tours are free (unless a fee is indicated) and open to the public.
- Programs are usually held on the fourth Thursday of the month unless indicated differently; 6:30 pm Social, 7:00 pm Program.
- More details about programs and tours will appear in Chapter newsletter & on Chapter webpage.
- For questions about programming call (920) 572-9540.



Meeting Location Directions:

WILD Center

2285 Butte des Morts Beach Rd.
Neenah, WI 54956
(Town of Fox Crossing)

From Hwy 41, take Exit 136, drive east on BB to right on Northern Rd, then left onto Stroebe Rd. Off Stroebe, turn right onto Butte des Morts Beach Rd.

Evergreen Retirement Community

1130 N. Westfield Street
Oshkosh, WI 54902

From Hwy 41, take Exit 119 (Hwy 21) and drive east. Turn right onto N. Westfield.

Standing Programs:

Natural Landscapes For Tomorrow Grant Program

Chapter funds are awarded to qualifying groups, such as schools, houses of worship, and other public and nonprofit organizations in its range area (see map on website) for natural landscapes using native plants. Application deadline February 1 with grants awarded March 1. Grant application available on Chapter webpage or call (920) 572-9540 to request a mailed copy.

Plant Rescue

Chapter members rescue native plants from sites slated for excavation. If you are aware of a construction site that may contain native plant species, please contact the Plant Rescue Coordinator, Donna VanBuecken at (920) 749-7807 or e-mail dvanbuecken@new.rr.com.



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