

PROGRAMS/TOURS

- 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.
- Programming Questions - call (920) 572-9540.

MEETING LOCATIONS

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 St., 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: 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.

Join us by visiting wildones.org/join

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.

COME GROW WITH US!

Watch for our new native plant education program coming soon. **Educators:** We are looking for collaborators to team up with us. Find more information on our Chapter website: foxvalleyarea.wildones.org.

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2022 Programs & Tours



Public Welcome

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Annual Meeting and Summer Dreams

Feb 24 | Thr | 7-8:30pm | Meeting | Zoom Presentation

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.

Wild Harvest: Useful and Edible Plants

Apr 30 | Sat | 1-2:30pm | Program | WILD Center

David Eagan, a freelance writer, botanist and naturalist from Richland Center, will show us ways that people harvest and prepare wild (and garden) plants for food, fiber, fire, magic, crafts, lore and more. Explore plants from Wisconsin's forests, prairies and wetlands for their many interesting and unusual uses by native peoples, wildcrafters and outdoor enthusiasts. David will also teach everyone how to make wild fiber twine to create a loop worn as a bracelet.

Spring Ephemerals

May 7 | Sat | 10am-12noon | Tour | Mosquito Hill Nature Center | N3880 Rogers Rd. | New London

Take a naturalist-led tour of Mosquito Hill Nature Center in search of spring ephemerals. These perennial woodland flowering plants are abundant in early May and emerge early to take advantage of sunlight before the trees leaf out. View and learn the natural history of species such as wild ginger, trillium, bloodroot, shooting star, hepatica, Dutchman's breeches, skunk cabbage, Jack-in-the pulpit, and more.

Native Plant Sale Order Pickup

May 21 | Sat | 9am Start | Order Pickup | WILD Center

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 2022. **Deadline to place your order is March 31.** Download an order form from the website: foxvalleyarea.wildones.org

Cheryl Root Property

June 16 | Thr | 6-7:30pm | Tour
610 W Capitol Dr. | Appleton

For the past 39 years, **Brian and Cheryl Root** have transformed their urban yard into a pollinator, bird, and amphibian habitat through the installation of ponds surrounded by sun and shade-loving native forbs, grasses, vines and shrubs. Come and see what has taken root at the Roots and learn about the wildlife that now frequents this urban oasis.

Progress Toward a Sustainable UW-Oshkosh

July 21 | Thr | 5pm-6:30pm | Tour | UW-Oshkosh

Tour the grounds of UW-O to see what the campus is doing to enhance its sustainable and environmentally friendly goals and practices. Some initiatives include planting natives for prairie and wetland, installing bird and bat houses, and more. *UWO Grounds Supervisor* **Lisa Mick** will be our guide.

Ramthun/Volkert Property Tour

Sept 10 | Sat | 9:30am-12noon | Tour
W996 Birchwood Dr. | Campbellsport

For over 35 years, **Connie Ramthun** and her husband, **Bill Volkert**, have been working to restore a series of native plant communities by managing invasive species in an oak hickory forest and wetland, along with converting former agricultural land into prairie. Over the years they have documented 675 species of plants and animals on their land. An optional tour of the nearby Spruce Lake Bog State Natural Area will be offered by Connie.

Audubon Partner Meeting: Benefits of Restoring the Bohn Family Farmstead

Nov 17 | Thr | 6:30pm Social | 7pm Program
Evergreen Retirement Community

Restoring a portion of the Bohn Farms site required partnerships and years of planning and monitoring to restore a mosaic of wetland, prairie, and forest habitats that were historically part of the landscape surrounding Lake Poygan. This presentation by **Jon Guntow**, program manager, Stantec, will discuss the site history, funding for restoration, restoration techniques, climate adaptation techniques, and partnerships associated with restoring this 80-acre parcel.

Watch the WOFVA website and Facebook page for any program changes.

Mask use may be required at some locations.

All participants will be asked to sign a statement indicating they are free of Covid and have not been exposed.

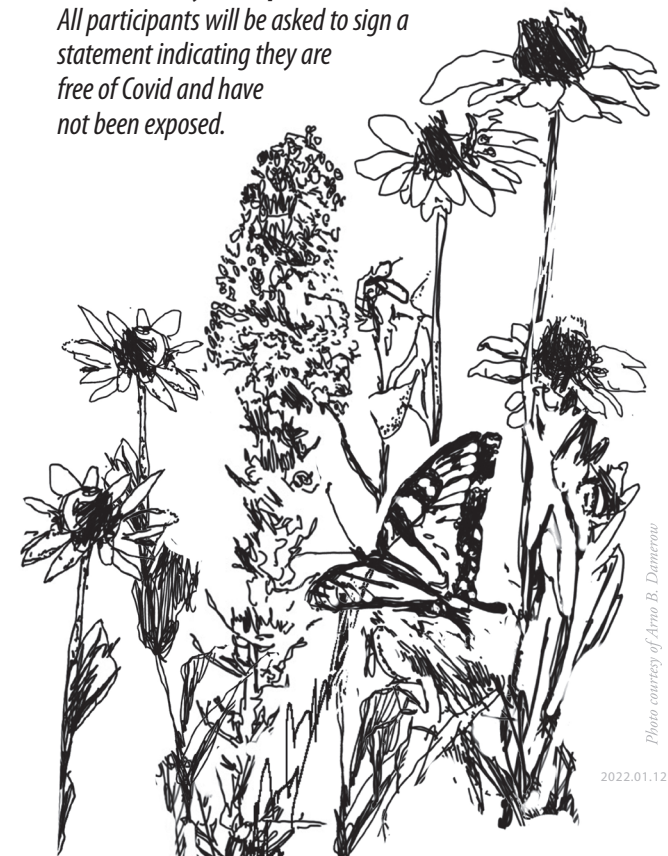


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