

Promoting Native Plants for Natural Landscapes.

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*Evening Social/Yard Tour
Thursday, July 15, 2010*

Location: Lenae Weichel and Kevin Holdmann
1438 Collingswood Dr, Rockford, IL 61103

Time: 7:00–9:00 pm



Hillside

For past July *members only* socials, we have visited many beautiful properties with mature landscapes. This year we will be gathering at the home of long time members Lenae Weichel and Kevin Holdmann located in northwest Rockford. Their home, which dates back to the late 1800's, sits on three acres of land overlooking the Rock River. Since moving

there in 2007 while Lenae was awaiting the birth of their youngest child, the couple has tackled many major building and renovation projects before turning some of their attention to the landscape.

This year we will experience a landscape 'under construction', as Lenae terms it. They have many more home maintenance projects to complete along with plenty of outdoor projects "not completed or areas they just haven't gotten to yet. There are plenty of weeds everywhere". Kevin's parents had lived in the home for 20 years before Kevin and Lenae became the fourth owners. While his parents were living there, Kevin and his mother had planted a small area in prairie forbs and a few grasses. We'll also find a few non-natives there as well.

The first thing they did was to stop mowing the hillside (where the grass browned with summer heat and the incline was one Lenae didn't care to mow). Initially, about 2/3 of this was planted with short grass prairie and oak savanna seed and plants from the Wild Ones Prairie Sale. Three burr oak trees were planted as well. The other third has been left "meadow" which they are slowly planting in fruit and nut-bearing shrubs and trees while leaving the grass long around them.

Lenae tells me their immediate goal is to replace much of the turf grass with native plantings and edible gardens and native or fruit-bearing trees. They feel that if a plant

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Articles for the August 2010 newsletter, must be submitted to the Newsletter Editor, at: dkcamps@aol.com by July 23, 2010.

Message from the President Constance McCarthy

Snap Happy

The presentation by Tim Lewis at our June meeting was timely, indeed. While some folks might just like to snap photos of our native plants for their own enjoyment alone, there are three opportunities for you to put to use some of Tim's helpful hints -- opportunities that involve sharing your images with others.

Of course there is the annual Wild Ones photo contest. This year, all images must be submitted electronically, so no more mounting and framing of photos for the contest. All photos must include native plants (i.e., plants that are native to the area where the photos is taken), although non-native plants may also appear in the photo. There's even a category for photos taken by children (and Tim says that this one does not receive many entries, so send your kids out with a camera soon). Photos submitted may be used by the national Wild Ones office in their promotional materials, website, etc. The deadline for submissions is August 3, 2010. For details, visit www.for-wild.org and click on the link for Photo Contest.

The Natural Land Institute is also sponsoring an art exhibit to celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the Nygren wetlands. Each person may submit up to two 2-dimensional works of art (including paintings and

photos) created at Nygren within the last two years. This could involve taking an easel and some paints to Nygren, to create a "plein air" work of art, or taking photos of the myriad flora and fauna at Nygren. There are categories for professionals and amateurs, and entries must be dropped off at Burpee on Friday, September 10 or Saturday, September 11. For more information, visit www.Naturalland.org.

You may have read in the January issue of our chapter's newsletter that our February 2011 program will focus on activities of chapter members to increase native plantings and diversity in their home landscapes. Members are encouraged to take photos showing various areas of their landscapes throughout the seasons. Submitted photos will be displayed in the auditorium where we meet, and a "slide show" will also be presented. Please don't decline to participate just because you think your landscape or photos "just don't compare to those of other members"! This presentation is also meant to include all stages of planting natives in home landscapes, not just totally completed efforts. After all, what landscaping project is ever truly completed? The work continues, as should the photo taking.

Volunteers Needed

Wild Ones needs volunteers need for 2 events. The first event is the Illinois Renewable Energy and Sustainable Lifestyle Fair on the 7 and 8 of August. The fair takes place in the Oregon, IL. fair grounds. Volunteers will man the Wild Ones booth for a few hours. The second event is the Native Tree and Shrub Sale which takes place September 1st at John Peterson's home. Volunteers will help customers pick and load their purchases. If you are interested in volunteering for these events, give me, Ed Kletecka, a call at 815-389-0120 or email at fiero2@charter.net. Volunteering is FUN.

Try it, you will like it!

Photo of happy volunteers from a previous tree and shrub sale.



Membership Update Marilyn Heneghan, Membership Chair

166 memberships on July 1, 2010

Welcome new member
Cathy Johnson

**Special Thanks to Recent
Rock River Valley Chapter Donators**
(any amount about the \$30 basic dues)
Jeff Stack and Kathy Mielke

55 attended the June program. Thank you to Lisa Johnson and Don Heneghan for greeting members.

Note: It is preferred that renewal donations be sent directly to the Chapter's Membership Chair, Marilyn Heneghan, rather than to the national office. Processing goes quicker this way for the chapter. Your expiration date is on your newsletter and your Journal address label. Thank you.

"NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES"
Please notify Marilyn Heneghan at informationoptions@att.net if you change your email address.

Dues payments can be sent either directly to the National Office or to the Chapter Membership Chair, Marilyn Heneghan. Forty percent of the dues paid, regardless of the amount, are shared with Rock River Valley Chapter. Members wishing to make donations specifically for the local chapter, should make a separate payment or so note on their membership application under "Chapter Contribution" and mail to the Chapter Membership Chair. Dues payments, regardless of amount, are considered a donation and are tax deductible.

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isn't native, it might as well feed them. Like many of us, their ongoing challenges include weed trees (mulberry, Siberian elm, and Silver maple), some staghorn sumac, garlic mustard, burdock and avens, and finding time to do what needs to be done inside the house as well as outside, all with two small children in tow!

Longer-term goals include clearing the woods of non-native invasive plants to allow for planting of native woodland plants (unfortunately they sadly report "there is little else there"). Creating paths and steps through the steep wooded hillside and rebuilding the crumbling walls and terraces along the river's edge is also on the lists of projects yet to be completed along with planting those areas with natives to replace the aging and overgrown junipers and day lilies which were planted in the 70s.

Later, we will relax on the patio on the south side of their home facing the river and the prairie/savanna area. Dress comfortably for the weather. Since we will be outdoors at dusk along the river, remember to bring bug



Kevin Holdmann planting a new bed

repellant. With our recent rains, the mosquitoes will be plentiful. Also, bring your own place setting (cups, flatware, napkins) and a chair to sit on along with your favorite 'finger food' to share with everyone. Iced tea, fresh lemonade (or limeade or cherryade or whatever fresh fruit looks good that week), and sangria will be provided. Feel free to bring your own beverage of choice if you wish. Please join us for a relaxing evening of socializing - *Members only* (i.e., members plus partner, significant other, friend, etc.). Learn more about what Kevin and Lenae have done and what they wish to do in the future.

Parking - people are welcome to park anywhere along or in the driveway (as long as they're not blocking someone else - much of it is one-lane), in the grass along the north side of the house or the west side of the driveway, or along the street. Collingswood is a dead end street but there is a circle at the end if people want to turn around that way. **Patio** - Walk past the house up to the end of the circle drive toward the river where you'll see the gathering place.

For more information, please contact Kim Risley at (815) 962-4584.

Submitted by Kim Risley, V. Pres./Program Chair



June Meeting Recap Constance McCarthy

Photos by Lenae Weichel



Tim Lewis

Tim Lewis, our chapter's past president and a national director of Wild Ones, was the presenter at our June meeting. Not only does he have years of photography experience, but he has also won several prizes in the national Wild Ones photo contest.

The first part of the presentation concerned equipment. A *range finder camera* does not use the

view finder to take the photo, but rather a separate lens. Thus, what you see through the view finder is not exactly what the lens will capture as an image--an effect known as parallax. With a *digital single lens reflex camera* (DSLR) camera, what you see is exactly what the lens sees. A DSLR allows you to use different lenses depending on what it is that you are shooting and the effects that you wish to achieve. A normal 50mm lens presents the least amount of distortion (especially as compared to e.g., a wide-angle lens). A macro lens is good for shooting flowers, as it allows you to focus on objects that are very close to the lens; in Tim's opinion, such a lens is a good investment. Other types of lenses include zoom, telephoto, and wide-angle.

Tim notes that a common mistake is to set your camera to use the lowest possible resolution in the photos that you take so that you can fit as many photos as possible on your memory card. It is nearly impossible to enlarge these photos without winding up with a pixilated image. It is better to set your camera to save higher-resolution images, as you can always compress photos to make the file size smaller, but you can never gain resolution once an image has been saved on the memory card.

Most cameras deliver images in jpeg format (.jpg), which compresses photo images. Other formats include raw image format (which is almost like a negative; as you must buy special software to edit such an image, this format is for more advanced photographers) and PSD

(which is used with Adobe Photoshop software). After taking your photos, transfer the image files to your computer. Tim's mantra here is simple: delete, delete, delete. If you take 20 images of a flower, pick the best ones and delete the rest. This helps to make your image files more manageable.

You can use the software that comes with your camera to edit your images. Adobe Photoshop software allows for more advanced and precise editing, but it is also rather expensive. It is important to save the edited file under a different name; never overwrite the original image file. Once you have saved the image using a different file name, you can always go back and make different changes to the original. If you have overwritten it, the original is gone for good.

With regard to exposure, the first issue is "film speed." Digital cameras use a related system to measure sensitivity to light. ISO 200 produces sharper images and gives the most detail. ISO 400 is for lower light and fast-

action photography. ISO 1000 is for even lower light photography, and using it will generally result in less sharp images that appear "noisy."

When considering shutter speed (how long the shutter stays open), don't forget that the wind can cause flowers and grasses to move. Even though you might not think of needing to use a higher shutter speed to capture an image of a seemingly still flower, you could wind up with a blurry image if you haven't set the shutter speed high enough. The aperture refers to the size of the lens opening. The higher the number, the smaller the size of the lens opening and the greater the depth of field (the portion of the image that appears to be sharp). To put it in equation form, shutter speed + aperture = exposure.

When taking a close-up photo, most people want to have the main subject appear crisp and focused, but not for example the leaves or grass in the background (otherwise the photo can appear too busy). By playing with the aperture, you can achieve the effect you are looking for.

When considering the composition of your photos (the arrangement of various components in the image), the KISS principle applies: keep it simple, stupid. Think



Tim Lewis advises Marcia Johnson as LaVern Johnson and Terry Mohaupt look on

June Meeting Recap (Cont'd)

about what one thing you want to be the focus of attention, minimize distractions, fill the frame (don't be afraid to move in closer to the object), and shoot at the subject's level (which might require that you get down on your hands and knees, or even to lay on the ground).

Using the rule of thirds will also improve the composition of your images. Imagine the image frame divided into thirds both horizontally and vertically. It is generally more aesthetically pleasing to place your main subject at or near one of the four points where the lines intersect, rather than in the dead center of the image. Also, try to place the horizon in the upper or lower third of the image, again not in the dead center. Don't forget that you can rotate your camera 90 degrees (portrait format)--a

2010 Woodland Plant Sale Recap

Kim Risley, Woodland Plant Sale Coord.

The end of our second Native Woodland Plant sale has come and gone. On a cold and rainy weekend, fifty-four people picked up their woodland plant orders Friday evening, April 30 and Saturday morning, May 1. Eleven volunteers helped to make this year's Native Woodland sale successful. Ty Haynes donated his time and equipment to pick up the plants and unload them at the pick up site. Sharon Bramel spent an entire day helping to sort, label and pull all the orders. John Peterson and Ed Kletecka along with Marty and Barb Kuminowski spent a cold, wet Friday evening assisting people who came to pick up their orders, while Janet Giesen, Ben Gallagher, John Todt, and Barbara Flores did the same on Saturday morning. Tim Lewis noticed a volunteer shortage and graciously stepped in Friday night to assist people in selecting plants in the sale area. Some of these dedicated people donated their time on more than one occasion, and a very hearty **THANK YOU** goes out to them for all their hard work!!

This year a total of **1,960** native woodland plants were planted as a result of our sale. Area schools and Midway Village planted **355** new native plants into their landscapes for many others to see and experience. Our Wild Ones chapter also donated a half flat of native woodland plants to the silent auction at Bird Fest. Our plants ventured even further from home this year finding their way into landscapes as far away as Iowa.

A new payment option was offered through PayPal this year and a few people exercised that option. Many members and non-members visited the sale table at the woodland plant pick up, the woodland tour, the prairie plant pick up and the May monthly meeting. All these avenues contributed to a very successful second year. Thank you everyone for your orders and your time.

method that works well for more vertical subjects.

As the former chair of the national Wild Ones photo contest, Tim offered a few suggestions for members who are considering entering. Categories include Flora; Scenery; Pollinators, Insects, and Bugs; Child or Children (exploring the natural environment); Residential Landscaping; Nonresidential Landscaping (the business must appear somewhere in the image); Wild Ones activities (yard tours, show me/help me, meetings, etc.); and Kids Photos. The categories that tend to have the least number of entries (thus giving you an increased chance of winning) are Scenery, Residential Landscaping, and Kids Photos.

NEXT on the agenda - start planning for the 2011 year. The chapter's pre-order needs to be in near the end of August, so if you have any suggestions for native woodland plants you would like to see on next year's sale, please contact the Woodland Sale coordinator, Kim Risley at 815-962-4584 or rip-cordo1@comcast.net as soon as possible.

THANK YOU ALL!!



4th graders at Keith Country Day School planting their woodland plants from this year's sale. Picture provided by Mary Anne Mathwich.

2010 Prairie Plant Sale Recap

Having well survived my first stab at the prairie plant sale, a recap is in order. First, a tremendous thank-you to Kim Risley for her many keen insights and suggestions. Without her, the sale would not have gone nearly as smoothly as it did--and this was one smooth running sale, if I may say so myself. Kim, John Peterson (tree sale chair), and I will be meeting in July for our "decompression" meeting, where we plan to share what worked well so far this year and to bounce ideas off each other for making things even better for this year's tree sale and for the 2011 plant sales.

This year, we ordered a total of 3,680 plants from one supplier. That figure includes plants sold at a discount to Anita Johnson (for the Ledgewood School prairie), Kim Lowman Vollmer (to support a scout's project), Spectrum School (for new landscaping with natives), and Marcia Johnson (for her Master Naturalist restoration project). The 3,680 figure also includes plants that were donated to Midway Village, supported by a generous donation from Anne Meyer. In addition, 16 plants were donated to the silent auction at Bird Fest, held at Sand Bluff Bird Observatory in May.

This year there were 56 orders placed, and the PayPal online payment option was used by a few purchasers. Only one plant sold out early, the pasque flower, and our supplier did not have any additional plants to meet the impressive demand. For next year I'll make a note to order more as part of the early-order process. (To obtain the most favorable pricing for the prairie plants, we must place an advance order in March; quantities ordered are based on past demand, among other factors.)

A significant number of individual plants were sold on the Friday evening and Saturday morning when folks came to pick up their orders. The remaining plants were sold at the May meeting and to others who made arrangements with me after the pick-up days. There was impressive number of plants sold during the pick-up days in spite of only moderate publicity. This is one topic I'm sure that Kim, John, and I will discuss at our meeting, namely how better to get the word out to folks who didn't place an order in advance, but would nonetheless like to buy a some plants.

Many hardworking volunteers made things a breeze during the days when we pulled all the orders after the plants were delivered (Tuesday through Friday). Indeed, we even completed our work ahead of schedule and with no real hiccups. More sincere thanks to: Lenae Weichel, Anita Johnson, Ed Kletecka, Dick Noser, Terry Mohaupt, Marcia

Constance McCarthy

DeClerk, Karen Matz, Kirby Doyle, Ginnie Watson, Kathie Ayres, Sue Oshinski, Steve Hall, Janet Giesen, Dora May Meredith, John Gerrond, Pat Schubert, Barbara Flores, and Sheryl Almquist Hall. And a thank-you with a flourish of trumpets to Tim Lewis (who helped set up on Friday afternoon, and then assisted customers with their plant selections in the sale area during pick-up that evening) and Guy Smith (who volunteered his time on more than one day). Some lucky volunteers on Friday and Saturday even got to see a few of the red foxes who live near me.

Finally, thank you to all who purchased plants from this sale. Not only did you help to increase biodiversity in our region, but profits from this sale are what enables our chapter to bring in top-notch speakers at our monthly meetings and to support other organizations whose missions align with ours.

Board of Directors in Action

Shey Lowman, Secretary

Highlights of activities of the Board of Directors, as discussed at the June 10, 2010 meeting, include the following:

- Kim Risley reported that meeting attendance has increased with 70-80 attendees at each meeting. Thanks for the chapter support and for getting the word out about our programs!
- The chapter received a very gracious thank you letter from Don Miller at Severson Dells, thanking our chapter for their generous \$1,000 donation to support their educational efforts.
- Plant sales were very successful this year. Several members took advantage of the PayPal purchasing options.
- The chapter is purchasing yard signs that can be used for events such as yard tours and plant sales, to help members more easily find the locations.
- A table cover with the Wild Ones logo is being purchased to use with the booth to make it more eye-catching and professional looking.

The next board meeting will be Thursday, August 12, 2010, at Aunt Mary's on State Street in Rockford. The meeting officially starts at 6:30 p.m., but many come at 5:30 to purchase their dinner. **All chapter members** are welcome and invited to attend board meetings.

2010 Chapter Programs and Events

Date/Time	Program	Speaker	Location
July 15 7:00 PM	<i>Yard Tour/Evening Social</i> Members Only	Home of Lenae Weichel and Kevin Holdmann	1438 Collingswood Dr Rockford, IL 61103
July 31 9:00 AM to Noon	<i>Show Me/Help Me Day</i>	Lenae Weichel 815-282-5482	Kirkland and Clare, IL
Aug.-Sept.	<i>Native Shrub and Tree Sale</i> Orders taken during this time See brochure for complete details	John Peterson Native Tree & Shrub Sale Coordinator	14037 Baker Rd Durand, IL 61024
August 19 7:00 PM	<i>The Missing Link The Transition from Canopy to Ground: The Ecology, Culture and Use of Shrubs and Small Trees</i>	Professor John Harrington University of WI - Madison	Burpee Museum of Natural History
Sept 10 & 11	<i>Native Tree & Shrub Pickup</i> See brochure for complete detail	John Peterson Native Tree & Shrub Sale Coord.	
Sept. 16 7:00 p.m.	<i>Reptiles & Amphibians in Our Backyards</i>	Lisa Johnson	Burpee Museum of Natural History
October 21 7:00 p.m.	<i>Pruning Native Trees & Shrubs</i>	John Richards Arborist and Owner of Tree Care Enterprises	Burpee Museum of Natural History
November 18 7:00 p.m.	<i>Pot Luck and Seed Exchange</i> All Members only welcome with or without seeds Bring a dish to share.		Burpee Museum of Natural History
December	<i>No Meeting-Happy Holidays!</i>		

Unless noted, programs are free and open to the public. Programs are subject to change.

Please contact Kim Risley (815) 962-4584 for more information. 7:00-9:00 PM

This is the year of biodiversity and the Four Rivers Environmental Coalition will not have a "big" event such as the bio blitz this year, but will have some Nature Jaunts over the summer.

Beach Cemetery Prairie

The tract is located southwest of Davis Junction IL near the intersection of White Rock and Big Mounds roads

Thursday, July 22 at 6 pm.

Sponsoring Organization: Natural Land Institute. Stewardship director Greg Keilback will lead a hike on this 4.5 acre pioneer cemetery prairie. Contact Sue Merchant at 815-964-6666

Jarrett Prairie Center

7993 N. River Rd; Byron IL.

Thursday, August 26 at 6 pm.

Sponsoring Organization: Byron Forest Preserve District. Visitors will have a program on insects led by Richie Wolf. Nets will be taken to the prairie and the underside of logs will be explored. There will be an attempt to identify any insects found there. Contact: Richie Wolf at 815-234-8535 x217.

Welty Environmental Center

8606 County Road H, Beloit, WI.

Thursday, September 9 at 5:30 pm.

Sponsoring Organization: Welty Environmental Center. Nature hike the trails and enjoy whatever comes along. Contact Lena Verkuilen at 608-361-1377.

Atwood Environmental Center

2685 New Milford School Road; Rockford IL

Saturday, September 18 at 1 pm

Sponsoring Organization: Rockford Park District. Explore the Kishwaukee River. We'll catch invertebrates and look for migrating birds. Contact Katie Townsend at 815-874-7576.

For more information on **Nature Jaunts**

contact Lucas Bradley at

lucasbradley@rockfordparkdistrict.org or call 815 874 7576



ROCK RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

c/o Pambi Camacho
6680 Hartwig Drive
Cherry Valley, IL 61016

Don't become extinct!

If the expiration date on the mailing label is **7/1/2010**, this is your last chapter newsletter and you have received your last *Wild Ones Journal* until you activate your membership

You may receive a renewal notice from both the National organization and your chapter. Your membership information will be updated quicker if you renew through your chapter so you won't miss an issue of the chapter newsletter.

Mail your renewal to Marilyn Heneghan
P.O. Box 114, Roscoe, IL 61073

Wild Ones - Rock River Valley Chapter

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Regular meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Burpee Museum of Natural History, 737 North Main St., Rockford, IL

Special meetings, outings, and events are scheduled periodically and sometimes replace the regular meeting time/place. Contact any officer to confirm information about our next meeting.

Wild ones Annual Membership: Family \$30, Limited Income/Full-Time Student \$20, Business \$200
Entire membership contribution is tax deductible. Contact Membership Chair for additional information or to join.

Visit our Web site at www.for-wild.org/chapters.html

Wild Ones Mission

Wild ones: Native Plants, Natural Landscapes promotes environmentally sound landscaping practices to preserve biodiversity through the preservation, restorations and establishment of native plant communities. Wild Ones is a not-for-profit environmental education and advocacy organization.



**Rock River Valley Chapter
SHOW ME/HELP ME DAY
Saturday, July 31, 2010 • 9:00 am – Noon**

Show Me/Help Me days are interesting for novice and expert alike. We will tour the yards of chapter members who have established landscapes as well as those who would like some ideas or advice. These tours are a great learning opportunity and chance to share knowledge and ideas!

All members and their guests are welcome on the Show Me/Help Me tours. Come to all or any of the locations (times are approximate). No RSVP is required. If you have any questions or wish to carpool, please contact Lenae Weichel (815-282-5482 or lenaeweichel.org).



**Jeff & Judy White (2540 Scout Road – Kirkland, IL 60146):
9:00 – 10:20 am**

Jeff and Judy have lived here since 1995 and, in addition to continuing to expand their vegetable gardens, they are ready to embark on the restoration of two acres along the Kishwaukee River. This low-lying area is prone to seasonal flooding and currently consists of tall grass, garlic mustard, and “junk” trees. Jeff is hoping to “restore the area to what was or should be there.”



**Jack Pizzo (27215 Glidden Road – Clare, IL 60111):
10:40 – Noon**

Jack’s property holds 40 acres of former farmland that has been restored to wetland and prairie. The restoration was started in 2003 and much of the work entailed removing reed canary grass and planting in high-diversity ecosystems that support a wide array of wildlife. He has identified 123 species of birds on the property since the restoration. Jack “practices what he preaches” in his work with his firm, Pizzo and Associates. He will share what he did and how he did it.



Special Notes:

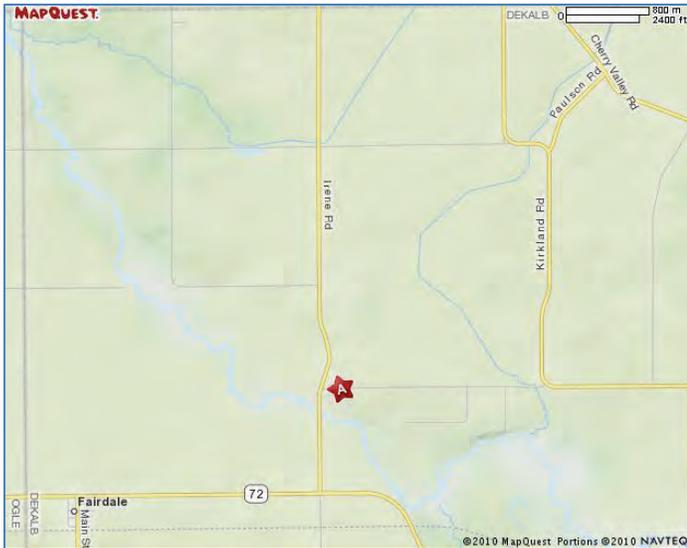
Due to the wet nature of the areas we will be walking through, you may want to wear rubber boots or shoes that can get wet or muddy and also consider bringing mosquito repellent.

If you are coming from Rockford or other parts north and would like to carpool, meet in the south-most parking lot within the Mall Drive (north of South Cherryvale Mall Dr.) at Cherryvale Mall at 8:30 am. Please park as far away from the mall as possible in this lot (due south of the entrance between Macy’s and Sears). We will form groups and be on our way.

Contact Lenae Weichel (815-282-5482 or lenaeweichel.org) with questions or ideas for this or future Show Me/Help Me days.

DIRECTIONS AND OTHER DETAILS

9:00 – 10:20 am: White Landscape • 2540 SCOUT ROAD, Kirkland (60146)

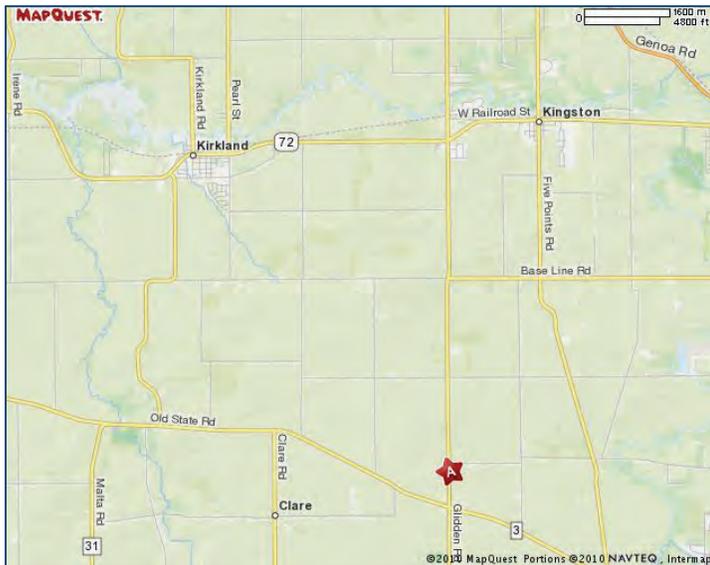


Scout Rd. is located off of Irene Rd, just north of IL-72.

From the carpool rendezvous:

- Turn left (east) on Harrison Ave. which becomes US-20/Ulysses S. Grant Hwy.
- Turn right (south) on Mill Rd.
- Turn left (east) on E. State St.
- Turn right on S. Walnut St. and make a slight left onto Genoa St. which becomes Cherry Valley Rd.
- Follow the slight right to Irene Rd.
- After 5 miles, turn left on Scout Rd.
- The house is on the right; park in the driveway or along the street.

10:40 am – Noon: Pizzo Landscape • 27215 Glidden Road – Clare, IL (60111)



From the White residence:

- Return to Irene Rd. and turn left (south).
- Turn left (east) onto IL-72 and drive 6.7 miles to Glidden Rd./CR-5.
(you will drive through the town of Kirkland)
- Turn right (south) on Glidden Rd/CR-5.
- The Pizzo residence is nearly 5 miles further on the right.

For assistance on the day of the event, please call 815-962-2725 (cell phone) to reach Lenae Weichel.