Editor’s Note: Retired Wehr Naturalist Karen Kerans is coordinating our 40th Anniversary Celebration. Enjoy her reflection on her 40 years at Wehr.

I wasn’t here on Opening Day, June 11, 1974, but soon after I discovered the many wonders of Wehr Nature Center. The thing that stands out for me from those early years is how many truly knowledgeable and talented people were absolutely dedicated to this place. They felt the importance of letting the general public in on the secrets of nature and the urgency of preserving it for the children of the future. And they gave generously of their time and talents to make it so – staff and volunteers alike. For evidence, just look around. How did our boardwalks get built? Who put up the fencing and built the first Warbler Bridge (which wasn’t called Warbler Bridge until years later)? Or the two piers – and their replacements after floods and deterioration left their marks? There really is no end to the list of improvements and accomplishments of our die-hard staff and tireless volunteers.

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Building Repairs In The Home Stretch

It has been over a year since we set out to plan and fundraise for critical repairs to Wehr’s Visitor Center. Rotting windows and siding needed replacing, animals had to be evicted from our ceiling and new soffits and duct work installed. This spring we are in the home stretch of this long project.

Thanks to the generosity of our many donors, all new windows have been ordered and we will finish installation this spring. It has been an amazing experience to watch the window project create an incredible sense of community around the Nature Center. Even the window installers noticed how much everyone cares. Watch for plaques with donor’s names to be in place in May.

The Gardner Room part of the project is behind where we hoped it would be, but forward progress is being made. The work should be done by our 40th Anniversary Celebration on June 22. Please bear with us as you come to visit and hike as you may have to use a different door and there will be limited access to the Gardner Room. These minor inconveniences are worth working through to get an energy efficient, beautiful building.

Make sure you check out the plans and progress of our next exciting project, making Wehr accessible for everyone. Plans are being drawn up for a renovation of our amphitheater and an accessible trail that will connect to our boardwalk. Surveying work will begin as soon as weather permits. Details on the accessibility project can be found on the Friends of Wehr website - http://www.friendsofwehr.org/accessibility-2/.

I wonder where the Gardner Room Bluebirds will nest this summer?

Staff Shuffles

2014 has been a year of staffing shuffles at Wehr.

On January 18 we sent naturalist and Army Reserves Major Howard Aprill off on his 18 month deployment to Afghanistan with a party, lots of hugs and well wishes. Howard’s humor and interpretive skills will be missed by everyone. His wife Paula will provide us regular updates and we will be sending monthly letters and care packages. If you want to send something to Howard just drop it by the Center. We will all be waiting for his return in 2015.

Everyone expected to be announcing the arrival of Wehr’s newest family members in the next issue of Wehr Words but they just couldn’t wait. We think they just did not want to miss Maple Sugar Days! On January 5, naturalist Emily Brown and her husband Jimmie welcomed fraternal twins, Oliver and Lucius, into the world. They are small but strong, and after their long hospital stay, got to go home with their parents in March. Emily will be out on maternity leave this spring, but back at work before summer.

All this change means that Wehr welcomes some new faces to the staff. Ken Keffer will be taking over for Howard while he is gone. We are very fortunate to have someone with such varied experience willing to cover while Howard is deployed. Ken grew up in Wyoming. He considers himself a vagabond naturalist as he has worked not only in Wyoming but Alaska, Mongolia, New Mexico, Maryland and Ohio before landing in Wisconsin. He has spent time studying flying squirrels, voles, camels, and birds. Some of you may recognize his name as he is a regular contributor to Birds & Blooms magazine and a co-author of The Kids’ Outdoor Adventure Book. His book was awarded the 2013 National Outdoor Book of the Year Award. He has two new books to be released this year. Watch for book signings in our Nature Store.

Kerri Bomberg, a familiar Nature in the Park face, will be pitching in as a part-time naturalist. Kerri comes with an amazing background in geology and teaching. She has worked extensively with youth groups, school field trips, and Master Naturalists. With her skill and expertise she will be able to slip right in and help us through while Emily is on maternity leave and Howard is deployed.
Thank You!

Your contributions to the Friends of Wehr are appreciated and always used with careful consideration.

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Summer Solstice Social

Help us celebrate the longest day of the year. Join us at sunset for the lighting of the traditional summer solstice bonfire. Enjoy small plate dining and desserts and browse the silent auction that supports Wehr’s accessibility project.

Saturday, June 21, 7-9 pm
$15 per person
$5 upgrades your ticket to include 1 wine/beer token

Thank you to Jackie Grivello’s Wild Birds Unlimited for their continuing support in keeping our feeders full and our birds happy. Please support their business located at 4454 S. 108th St. Greenfield.
Nature Volunteer News

Upcoming Opportunities for Current Volunteers

**Dotty’s Crafters:** Wednesdays, April 2, May 7, June 4; 1-3 pm

**In Celebration of Earth Day,** Sunday, April 27; 12:30-4:30 pm

**Plant Sale**, Saturday & Sunday, May 10 & 11; 9am-12:30 pm or 12:30-4:30 pm

**EarthCare** (Plant related tasks - on the job training provided)

- Thursdays, May 29; June 5, 12, 19 & 26; 9-11 am

**Reptile Day,** Sunday, June 8; 12:30-4:30 pm

**40th Anniversary Open House,** Sunday, June 22; 12:30-4:30 pm

**Teaching Naturalist Trainings:**
- Water and Insect Programs: Tuesday, April 29, 1-4 pm
- Summer Puppet Show: Tuesday, May 13, 1-4 pm
- NIP Library Program: Tuesday, June 10, 10 am - noon

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**In Celebration of Earth Day Service Days**

**Invasive Plant Removal**

Saturday April 12th (9am -11:30am) OR (12:30 - 3pm)

Help us tackle the pesky buckthorn and remove it from Wehr Nature Center.

Volunteers check in at Wehr Nature Center.

Please preregister.

Training, tools and gloves provided.

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**Mother’s Day Weekend Native Plant Sale**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 10 & 11, 9 am – 3:30 pm**

 Beautify your yard with native plants from Wehr’s annual sale, suitable for sun or shade and wet or dry. This is a very popular sale so come early for the best selections. Use the Early Order Form in this newsletter or download it at: http://www.friendsofwehr.org/spring-events/mothers-day-native-plant-sale/. Return the Pre-order form to Wehr with your selections by April 24. This will help assure (but not guarantee) your selections ahead of time.

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**Feast Among the Flowers**

**Will the Trillium Defend Its’ Title In 2014?**

Help us celebrate spring and raise funds for accessibility renovations.

Enjoy a delicious dinner, taste wine, browse the silent auction and vote for your favorite wildflower.

**Saturday, May 3rd**

6-8 pm

$30.00 per person

Space is limited!

Pre-registration is required by May 1.

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**Keep America Beautiful**

**Great American Cleanup**

Saturday April 19th

9am-Noon

Join the nation-wide efforts to “Keep America Beautiful” by helping to cleanup litter in Whitnall Park.

Volunteers check in at Wehr Nature Center.

No registration required.

Bags are provided; please bring your own gloves.
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A program for 2 and 3 year olds to share with their favorite adult  
*Times: 9:30-10:30 am for Two Year Olds   11 am-Noon for Three Year Olds*

**Mud Puddles**   
Monday, April 7  
Spring is here, bringing raindrops and mud puddles. Toddlers will enjoy the story, *Mud* by Mary Lyn Ray, paint with mud (disguised as chocolate pudding), enjoy a puddle-jumping walk and make mud pies. Dress to get messy!

**Pretty Petals**   
Monday, May 5  
Bring your little sprout to this class celebrating seeds and flowers. We will go outside to the Nature Play Space to help plant our children's garden, pot a flower to take home, walk to see spring wildflowers and enjoy a “seedy” snack.

**Fish Tales**   
Monday, June 2  
Come learn about our scaly, slippery fish friends and even dip a pole into our imaginary fishin' hole. We will visit our resident fish in the aquarium and take a walk to the pond in search of friendly fish.

**NatureNauts**  
A series of fun-filled programs for children 4-6 years old and their favorite adult.  
*1-2 pm for Sunday Classes   9:30-10:30 am for Monday Classes*

**All Quacked Up**   
Sunday, April 13 or Monday, April 14  
Ducks do more than go “Quack.” We'll learn about duck adaptations by making our own duck costumes and then waddle to the pond in search of our duck friends.

**Wiggly Worms**   
Sunday, May 18 or Monday, May 19  
Wiggle and giggle with the worms while exploring their underground world. We will go for a worm hunt, see how worms help us compost, and make an original piece of worm art.

**Fantastic Fathers**   
Sunday, June 15 or Monday, June 16  
Celebrate nature’s fantastic fathers! We’ll learn how animal dads feed, protect and play with their babies and take a walk to meet some fantastic animal fathers that live at Wehr.

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**Pre-registration is required for all children's programs**  
**Deadline is the Wednesday before the program date**  
**Fees: $10 per child   $7 Milwaukee County Residents   $5 Friends of Wehr Members**

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**FRIENDS OF WEHR NATURE STORE**

**New!**  
Ideas for enjoying nature and our wonderful Milwaukee County Parks.  
Get your copy signed by the authors at In Celebration of Earth Day, Sunday April 27, 3pm

All proceeds go to Friends of Wehr to support the educational programs at Wehr Nature Center. **Open 8:30 am-4 pm**

**Shop In The Beauty Of Nature**
Birding Beyond the Feeder: Bird Identification
Are you curious about a bird at your feeder or the songs you hear as you walk in the woods? We will start inside learning basic bird identification and binocular use, then head outside to experience the beginning of migration. For eager early-risers, there will be a pre-session hike at 7:30 am. A follow up session on the mystery of bird migration will be offered on September 20. Saturday, April 5, 9 am-Noon  
Fees: $10 per person $7 Milwaukee County Residents $5 Friends of Wehr Members

Woodcock Walk
Enjoy one of the best viewing spots for the iconic “sky dance” of the American Woodcock. After a short presentation about these unique shorebirds of the woods, we’ll head out on an sunset stroll to witness one of nature’s most spectacular scenes. To establish territories, male woodcock make squeaky “peent” calls and then explode up in flight before acrobatically tumbling back down to the ground. This springtime ritual is not to be missed. Friday, April 11, 6:30–8:30 pm  
Fees: $10 per person $7 Milwaukee County Residents $5 Friends of Wehr Members

Sunsets With The Birds Partners: Birds & Blooms magazine and Wild Birds Unlimited Greenfield  
Come out and experience nature after work. Local birding experts from Wehr, Birds & Blooms, and Wild Birds Unlimited Greenfield will lead evening birdwalks. Perfect for beginners, we will spend some time watching the feeders before heading out for a walk through the woods and the prairie. Don’t miss out on the springtime action including warblers, bluebirds, orioles, and more. Wednesday, April 23, 6-8 pm and Friday, May 16, 6-8 pm  
Free

Into the Wild with Mark  
Weekend explorations to regional natural areas of interest lead by Wehr’s Natural Areas Manager Mark Verhagen.  
Horicon Marsh & Oakfield Ledge We will spend the morning at Horicon Marsh viewing migrating birds and some spring ephemerals. After lunch we’ll meet up at Oakfield Ledge to see an incredible part of the Niagara Escarpment with some very good spring ephemeral flowers and ferns. Saturday, April 26, 8:30 am-4:30 pm  
Glacier State Park Our destination for this trip is the scenic Glacier State Park in Illinois. Participants can plan on a short presentation by a naturalist from the park and afterwards there will be a hike to see some glacial features and native vegetation. Saturday, June 28, 8:30 am-4:30 pm  
Fees: $25 per person $10 Friends of Wehr Members Registration is required by the Friday before the program. Transportation is provided or on your own.

Birding With Paul  
Join expert birding leader Paul Boyer for an informative and enjoyable morning of birding. Bring your binoculars and field guide. Sundays, May 4, 11, and 18, 7:30-10:00 am  
Free

Nature Discovery for Educators  
Project WILD & Project WET Workshop  
Join educators, scout and youth leaders in this workshop featuring over 200 activities focusing on wildlife, habitat, and responsible human actions. Saturday, May 17, 8:30 am-4:15 pm  
Fee: $65 Registration required by Wednesday, May 13

Bat Night at Wehr  
Meet real live Bats! Discover the fiction, folklore, and facts on Bats. Learn how you can participate in Citizen Science projects to help our diminishing Bat neighbors. Friday, June 13, 8-10 pm  
Fees: $10 per person $7 Milwaukee County Residents $5 Friends of Wehr Members

Hike for Health  
Hike along with this group that walks Wehr’s trails together for camaraderie, exercise and fun. Meet in the Visitor Center. Every Wednesday. Time: 10:30 am  
No fee or registration required; regular parking fee in effect
**Nature Discovery for Families**

**Friday, April 25, 7-9 pm**
Hop over to Wehr for an evening celebrating frogs. We will meet some Wisconsin amphibians up close and then stroll out to the ponds of Wehr to listen for the sweet spring sound of frogs chorusing.

Recommended for Ages 5 and older

**Fee:** $10 per person  
$7 Milwaukee County Residents  
$5 Friends of Wehr Members

**Registration Deadline:** Wednesday, April 23

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**Sunday, April 27, 1–4 pm**
Welcome spring, connect with nature, and learn to live more lightly on the Earth!

**In Celebration of Earth Day**
has activities for your whole family.

- Enjoy a guided spring walk
- Create crafts from recycled materials
- Be part of the vintage manual typewriter “Type-In” and listen to the click-clack of the keys
- Learn to live more sustainably

$3 per person; $2 for members of Friends of Wehr

**Special Features**

**Kohl’s Wild Theater 2 pm** (included in admission)
Enjoy and learn from Kohl’s Wild Theater, made possible through a partnership between Kohl’s Cares and the Zoological Society of Milwaukee. “The KWT Jamboree” is a 30-minute presentation of short skits about animals and conservation perfect for children of all ages.

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Barbara Ali will be signing 101 Things to Do in Milwaukee Parks.

Wehr Naturalist Ken Keffer and Birds and Bloom editor Stacy Tornio will be signing their award winning book The Kids Outdoor Adventure.

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**Reptile Day**

**Sunday, June 8, 1-4 pm**
Discover the world of Reptiles and Amphibians!

- Meet live snakes, turtles, and lizards from Wisconsin and around the world.
- Learn how to live with our misunderstood and scaly wild neighbors.
- Go on a guided, reptile discovery walk.
- Enjoy kid’s crafts.
- Refreshments are available for purchase.

$3 per person; $2 Friends of Wehr Members;  
Children 2 and under are free

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**Book Signing 3 pm**
Meet local authors and get ideas for sharing nature with your children. Books will be for sale in the Nature Store.
Community Organizations

Wehr is fortunate to host several organizations who share their passion and knowledge about the natural world with the public. For more information about these organizations and details about their programs, please visit their web-sites or call Wehr (414) 425-8550.

**Wehr Camera Club** is dedicated to sharing a passion for photography and nature. Visit [http://wnccameraclub.com/sch.html](http://wnccameraclub.com/sch.html) for program information. Public programs are held the second Saturday of each month, September to June, from 9-11 am.

**Wisconsin Metro Audubon Society** is a chapter of the National Audubon Society that encourages environmental stewardship through education and conservation. Public programs are held the third Wednesday of each month from 7-9 pm, September to May. Visit [http://www.wimetroaudubon.org](http://www.wimetroaudubon.org) for program information.

**Wild Ones, Natural Landscapers Inc.** supports the preservation, restoration and establishment of native plant communities by promoting the use of native plants in landscaping. Meetings are held at WNC from 1:30-3:30 pm the second Saturday of each month from September to April. Visit [www.wildones.org](http://www.wildones.org) for program information.

**Wehr Astronomical Society** is a group of amateur astronomers that promote the study of astronomy. Meetings are from 7-9 pm the second Tuesday of each month, September to June. Visit [http://www.wehrastro.org](http://www.wehrastro.org) for information.

40 YEARS AND COUNTING

I have always been amazed by the visionary spirit and optimism of Wehr people. They are still making impossible things happen in spite of the challenges of recent years. Check out the new windows, siding, natural areas restorations, cutting edge programming for kids, accessible areas, grant writing successes, and explorations of social media. Wehr has not been sitting on its laurels, although there have been quite a few to sit on – remember the 2004 Feinstone Environmental Award for Excellence from the State University of New York-College of Environmental Science and Forestry and a long list of others. Not too shabby.

While shuffling through Wehr's historical files of newspaper articles and photos, I ran across a hand written list on an index card that encapsulates the mindset of the people who care about Wehr. It's a list of important dates and data regarding Wehr tabulated by Volunteer, Wanda Rosecki. Wanda not only led school groups and carved Jack-o-lanterns (see photo), she also kept us all on track scientifically. She recorded bird sightings, and identified which of the tamaracks were native and which were not, and analyzed the water content of our sugar maple sap. Here's Wanda's list for your information and enjoyment.

Where will WNC go from here? What is your vision for the future of nature education and conservation/preservation for the children yet to come? This is a good place to make your mark. Take notes. Be a volunteer, join the Friends of Wehr and be part of Wehr Nature Center's fifth decade. It is sure to be exciting.

Karen Kerans, Naturalist Emeritus
The Mink and the Shrew

When Mink woke up just before the sun rose he thought he would comb the banks of the stream he lived on. He hoped to find a quick easy meal. After a while he met a Short-tailed Shrew. Shrew was a smart creature and didn’t want to be eaten, so Shrew offered Mink some of its poison saliva that he could use to get some tasty fish. Shrew gave a small vial of its saliva to Mink. He told him to pour a drop of the poison into the water where fish were swimming and a fish would float to the top for an easy meal. All Shrew wanted in return was to let him and his family and friends live in peace without being eaten by Mink. If Mink broke the agreement and killed a shrew he would forget how to hunt. Mink agreed and happily took the poison with visions of many easy meals for the next few months.

That spring Mink had some of the easiest meals he’d ever eaten. When he used the last of the poison from Shrew, Mink wondered if he could get some more. The next day he went to see if Shrew would give him another vial of saliva. Shrew thought with some frogs and salamanders that also didn’t want to be eaten by Mink anymore, so Shrew would give him more poison if Mink agreed to this. Of course it came with the same warning about forgetting how to hunt. Mink thought about this and decided it was a good deal, so he agreed. He went away thinking this was a very nice arrangement. He started to think maybe he could make more deals with Shrew, so there would be more time to sleep late and play with friends. What a great life Mink had! He didn’t have to sneak up on fish they would just pop to the surface ready to eat. He never even had to get wet to catch them.

Some time went by and Mink made more deals with Shrew to keep getting a supply of saliva. All he had to do is not eat shrews, frogs and salamanders (they didn’t taste that great anyway), crayfish, small birds and rabbits. Life was good for Mink, especially on warm days when he could just bask in the sun on a log like the turtles always did. After a while Mink realized the only thing left on his menu was fish. He thought if he hunted for a nice tasty rabbit in secret he could make the poison from Shrew last longer. The next morning, while it was still dark, Mink caught a rabbit and had a very good meal of stew. It was delicious and he thought there was no harm in it as long as Shrew didn’t find out what he was doing. The next day Mink wanted to use a drop of the poison saliva from Shrew to get a fish for breakfast. He went to his favorite deep spot in the stream and used the poison to get a fish. As always, a nice big fish floated to the top. When he jumped in to get it he couldn’t remember how to swim. All he could do is splash around until he grabbed on to a stick to pull himself out of the water. Suddenly an osprey came along and grabbed his fish. Mink kept trying more drops of poison, but every time a fish floated up he couldn’t figure out a way to get it before the osprey grabbed it. Soon his vial was empty and he had no fish. Mink was very frightened and couldn’t decide what to do. Suddenly, everything became very foggy and Mink felt like he was falling into a deep hole. He found himself waking up in his home among the rocks. It turns out he dreamed the whole terrible ordeal. He couldn’t wait to go out and start hunting!
**Meet The Critters**

**Mink Mustela vison**
Size: 20 inches long and up to 3 ½ lbs
Habitat: Wetlands and areas along rivers, ponds and lakes
Food: fish, mice, rabbits, bats, birds, insects, amphibians, crayfish
Fun Fact: Mink have scent glands and can give off a strong musky smell when excited
Where They Live At Wehr: By the river, waterfall and in our wetland

**Short-tailed Shrew Blarina brevicauda**
Size: 2-4 inches long and up to 1 oz
Habitat: Shrews are found in all terrestrial habitats, including our backyards
Food: Invertebrates, small rodents, birds, amphibians and reptiles
Fun Fact: Short-tailed Shrews have poison saliva that they “chew” into their prey. This allows them to kill prey larger than themselves.
Where They Live at Wehr: Everywhere, but most often seen by our bird feeders.

**Osprey Pandion haliaetus**
Size: 21 to 22 inches tall and up to 4 lbs
Habitat: By a body of water
Food: Fish
Fun Fact: Osprey have a reversible outer toe that allows them to grasp with two toes in front and two behind, helping them grip slippery fish.
Where They Live At Wehr: An occasional visitor to Mallard Lake

*Editor's Note: Enjoy this original story written by Wehr’s Naturals Area Manager Mark Verhagen. It is inspired by Native American stories that incorporate natural history information and a life or moral lesson.*
Wish List

Contributions of any amount will be appreciated for:

**Snapshots and memorabilia from Wehr for our 40th Anniversary Celebration**

Adobe Creative Suite 6 for Windows

Old Fashioned, Wooden Brace & 3/8” Bit Laser Pointers

If you are interested in donating any of these items, or would like to contribute money toward their purchase, please contact Deb at (414) 425-8550.

Your contributions are tax-deductible when made to the Friends of Wehr.

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**COMING SUMMER 2014**

A series of evening nature discovery programs for families.
Enjoy a twilight walk and then share a campfire treat by the fire.

- July 11 - Howlin’ At The Moon
- July 25 - Twilight Travelers
- August 8 - Night Flyers

7:30-9:30 pm

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**Membership Application:** This is an annual membership from January - December

Mail to: Friends of Wehr 9701 College Ave. Franklin, WI 53132 Make checks payable to Friends of Wehr or renew online at www.friendsofwehr.org

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Signature ___________________________ Staff Initials ______ Date Received __________________

**Learn more about activities and events throughout the Milwaukee County Parks**

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At Wehr Nature Center
9701 W. College Ave.
Franklin, WI 53132
In Whitnall Park
Open Daily 8-4:30
(And for holiday hours)
wehrnaturecenter@milwcnty.com

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**Fireside Fridays**

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**Learn more about activities and events throughout the Milwaukee County Parks**
**Wehr Native Plant Sale**

**2014 Pre-order Form**

*Forms must be returned by Thursday, April 24, 2014 - Sorry, no exceptions (Attn. Mark)*

| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| City St Zip |  |
| Phone |  |
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**WOODLAND**

- White Baneberry (Actaea pachypoda)
- Maidenhair Fern (Adiantum pedatum)
- Purple hyssop (Agastache foeniculum)
- Prairie Onion (Allium stellatum)
- Wild Columbine (Aquilegia canadensis)
- Jack-in-the-pulpit (Arisaema triphyllum)
- Wild Ginger (Asarum canadense)
- Heart-leaved aster (Aster cordifolius)
- Forked Aster (Aster divaricatus)
- Big-leaved aster (Aster macrophyllus)
- Lady Fern (Athyrium felix-femina)
- Common wood sedge (Carex blanda)
- Pensylvania Sedge (Carex pensylvanica)
- Burr Sedge (Carex grayi)
- Blue Cohosh (Caulophyllum thalictroides)
- American bittersweet - female ** (Celastrus scandens)
- American bittersweet - male ** (Celastrus scandens)
- Virgin’s Bower (Clematis virginiana)
- Rock Harlequin (Corydalis sempervirens)
- Tufted hair grass (Deschampsia cespitosa)
- Wood Fern (Dryopteris goldiana)
- Fancy Wood Fern (Dryopteris intermedia)
- Sweet Joe-Pye Weed (Eupatorium purpureum)
- Wild Strawberry (Fragaria virginiana)
- Wild Geranium (Geranium maculatum)
- Pale-leaved woodland sunflower (Helianthus strumosus)
- Virginia Waterleaf (Hydrophyllum virginianum)
- Bottlebrush Grass (Hystrix patula)
- Ostrich Fern (Matteuccia struthiopteris)

**PLANTS $6.00 EA. OR 3/$16.00 or as noted**

- All plants come in 4 1/2” pots unless noted below. *Please order by the pot.*
- All efforts will be made to fill orders, but actual stock may prevent delivery.

**SALE DATES**

*Saturday, May 10 &
Sunday, May 11
9 am-3:30 pm*

- Check to receive pre-order form next year by email

**SPRING EPHEMERAL**

- Rue Anemone (Anemone thalictroides)
- Spring Beauty (Claytonia virginica)
- Dutchman’s Breeches (Dicentra cucullaria)
- Trout Lily (Erythronium americanum)
- Sharp-lobed Hepatica (Hepatica acutiloba)
- Virginia Bluebells (Mertensia virginica)
- Bloodroot (Sanguinaria Canadensis)
- White Trillium (Trillium grandiflorum)
- Yellow Bellwort (Uvularia grandiflora)

**PRAIRIE**

- Nodding Wild Onion (Allium cernuum)
- Leadplant (Amorpha canescens)
- Big Bluestem (Andropogon gerardii)
- Canada Anemone (Anemone canadensis)
- Thimbleweed (Anemone virginiana)
- Pale Indian-plantain (Amoglossum atriplicifolium)
- Butterfly Weed (Asclepias tuberosa)
PRAIRIE (cont.)

___ Sky Blue Aster (Aster azureus)
___ Many-flowered Aster (Aster ericoides)
___ Smooth Aster (Aster laevis)
___ New England Aster (Aster novae-angliae)
___ White Baptisia (Baptisia alba)
___ Creamy Baptisia (Baptisia bracteata)
___ Side-oats Grama (Bouteloua curtipendula)
___ Harebell (Campanula rotundifolia)
___ Pasque Flower (Anemone patens)
___ Fox Sedge (Carex vulpinoides)
___ New Jersey Tea (Ceanothus americanus)
___ Sand Coreopsis (Coreopsis lanceolata)
___ Coreopsis (Coreopsis palmata)
___ Shooting-star (Dodecatheon meadia)
___ Purple Prairie Clover (Dalea purpurea)
___ Pale Purple Coneflower (Echinacea pallida)
___ Purple Coneflower (Echinacea purpurea)
___ Purple Love Grass (Eragrostis spectabilis)
___ Rattlesnake Master (Eryngium yuccifolium)
___ Flowering Spurge (Euphorbia corallata)
___ Bottle Gentian (Gentiana andrewsii)
___ Prairie Smoke (Geum triflorum)
___ Common Sneezeweed (Helenium autumnale)
___ Naked Stem Sunflower (Helianthus occidentalis)
___ Oxeye (Heliopsis helianthoides)
___ Prairie Alumroot (Heuchera richardsonii)
___ Sweet Grass (Hierochloe hirta)
___ June Grass (Koeleria macrantha)
___ Rough Blazing-star (Liatris aspera)
___ Showy Blazing-star (Liatris ligulistylis)
___ Prairie Blazing-star (Liatris pycnostachya)
___ Marsh Blazing-star (Liatris spicata)
___ Wild Lupine (Lupinus perennis)
___ Wild Bergamot (Monarda fistulosa)
___ Prickly Pear Cactus ** (Opuntia humifusa)
___ Golden Groundsel (Packera auriculata)
___ Switch Grass (Panicum virgatum)
___ Wild Quinine (Parthenium integrifolium)
___ White Beardtongue (Penstemon digitalis)
___ Downy Phlox (Phlox pilosella)
___ Smooth Phlox (Phlox glaberrima interior)
___ Obedient Plant (Physostegia virginiana)
___ Solomon’s Seal (Polygonatum biflorum)
___ Mountain Mint (Pycnanthemum virginianum)
___ Yellow Coneflower (Ratibida pinnata)
___ Black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia hirta)
___ Brown-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia triloba)
___ Swt. Blk-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia subtomentosa)
___ Wild Petunia (Ruellia humilis)
___ Little Bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium)
___ Compass Plant (Silphium laciniatum)
___ Cup plant (Silphium perfoliatum)
___ Prairie Dock (Silphium terebinthinaceum)
___ Blue-eyed Grass (Sisyrinchium angustifolium)
___ False Solomon’s Seal (Smilacina racemosa)
___ Ohio Goldenrod (Solidago ohiensis)
___ Riddell’s Goldenrod (Solidago ridelli)
___ Stiff Goldenrod (Solidago rigidia)
___ Showy Goldenrod (Solidago speciosa)
___ Spiderwort (Tradescantia ohiensis)
___ Culver’s Root (Veronicastrum virginicum)
___ Birdfoot Violet (Viola pedata)
___ Heart-leaf Golden Alexander (Zizia aptera)
___ Common Golden Alexander (Zizia aurea)

WETLAND

___ Sweet-Flag (Acorus calamus)
___ Marsh Milkweed (Asclepias incarnata)
___ Purple-stem aster (Aster puniceus)
___ Marsh Marigold (Caltha palustris)
___ Turtlehead (Chelone glabra)
___ Porcupine sedge (Carex hystericina)
___ Joe-pye Weed (Eupatorium maculatum)
___ Boneset (Eupatorium perfoliatum)
___ Giant St. John’s Wort (Hypericum pyramidatum)
___ Blue Flag Iris (Iris versicolor)
___ Virginia Flag Iris (Iris virginica)
___ Soft Rush (Juncus effuses)
___ Torrey’s Rush (Juncus torreyi)
___ Cardinal Flower (Lobelia cardinalis)
___ Great Blue Lobelia (Lobelia siphilitica)
___ Monkey Flower (Mimulus ringens)
___ Blue Vervain (Verbena hastata)
___ Ironweed (Vernonia fasciculata)

** Gallon Pots

Plants can be picked up the day of the sale Sat. May 10 and Sun. May 11 (Mother’s Day Weekend) from 9am–3:30 pm.
Payment is due at the time of pick-up.
Visa, Discover, Amex and Mastercard accepted.
Checks payable to Friends of Wehr.