

Platte River Prairies Field Day – June 22, 2016

The Nature Conservancy's Derr House

AGENDA

Admission is FREE. Bring your own lunch and come and go as you like during the day.

9am – 9:15am - Introduction of the day's sessions and orientation to the site.

9:15am – 10:30 Sessions

Plant identification and ecology – Chris Helzer (The Nature Conservancy)

How to help monitor monarch populations – Melissa Panella (Nebraska Game and Parks)

Edible wild plants – Cyndi Trail (The Nature Conservancy)

10:45am-Noon

Gardening with native plants – Kim Helzer (TNC Volunteer and High School Science Teacher)

Prairie insects – Julie Peterson (UNL Extension)

Principles of prairie management – Gerry Steinauer (Nebraska Game and Parks Commission)

Prairie seed harvesting and processing – Mardell Jasnowski (The Nature Conservancy)

12pm – 12:45pm – Lunch (bring your own)

12:45-2pm

Gardening with Native Plants – Kim Helzer (TNC Volunteer and High School Science Teacher)

Prairie insects – Julie Peterson (UNL Extension)

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2:15-3:30

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Location:

The Derr House is located 2 miles south of the Wood River exit off of Interstate 80 (Exit 300).

Turn right (south) immediately after the highway curves to the east and you'll be there.

Some snacks and cold drinks will be provided, but please bring your own lunch, sunscreen, bug spray, drinking water, and whatever else you need for a day in the field.