Staying in touch with your chapter: To reach us with a question, please email wildones.wehr@gmail.com. Current meeting and other information can be found on our chapter webpage: milwaukeesouthwestwehr.wildones.org. **Staying in touch with Wild Ones National:** See the national webpage: wildones.org

January 11, 2020 Saturday, 1:30 p.m. Wehr Nature Center Native Plants in County Parks

Our speaker will be **Emilie Burmeister** of the Milwaukee County Parks Natural Areas Team. She will be discussing the establishment and maintenance of native plantings in various Milwaukee County Parks and their successes and challenges. We can learn a lot about our own projects from the experience and knowledge of this team. Emilie will also tell us about the Community Science Programs and how we can become involved in data gathering. Our indoor meetings are free and open to non members. Unless other wise specified, we meet on the second Saturday of each month at the **Wehr Nature Center**. There is a small charge to park at the nature center.

February 8, 2020 Saturday, 1:30 p.m. Wehr Nature Center Native Plants

Master Gardener and Wild One **Jennifer Lazewski** will talk about integrating native plants into your garden, with tips on design, plant selection, and planting techniques. This should be a great presentation for our newer members looking for help in the beginning phase of a planting project.

March 14, 2020 Saturday, 1:30 p.m. Wehr Nature Center Orchid Conservation

Melissa Curran of Stantec Consulting will present "Midwest Orchid Conservation," highlighting an innovative project designed to identify and document orchid populations with the hope of determining optimal conditions for seed collection and propagation. Come learn about the many species of Wisconsin orchids and what is being done to help them survive and prosper.

April 11, 2020 Saturday, 1:30 p.m. Wehr Nature Center Soil Preparation, Jumping Worms

Soil is an important consideration when it comes to native plants. In addition to some thoughts on soil preparation before planting, **Brad Herrick** of the UW-Madison Arboretum will also share the current status of the jumping worm invasion. Learn how to optimize your success before you even plant and what you can do to recognize and control a serious invasive threat to our native plant communities.

ADDITIONAL DATES

- ☼ February 1, 2020 is the deadline to register for the Pesticide Application Advance Notice Registry administered by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. Once registered, you will be notified if any of your neighbors are having a commercial pesticide application on their property. Enroll or renew your request, go to https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs Services/LandPestReg.aspx.

Note: If the registry isn't working for you, you may need to use a different browser.

