

2024
Calendar



LEARN • VOLUNTEER • SUPPORT

The Friends of Wisdom Prairie is a community of people who are dedicated to caring for the earth at Holy Wisdom Monastery. We invite you to learn about, volunteer and support this important work. All are welcome.

LEARN

Life-long learning and spiritual growth are important at Holy Wisdom Monastery. The Friends of Wisdom Prairie offer many programs and experiences that teach people of all ages about the land and how to care for this precious resource. Take a tour of the prairie during the different seasons; bring your kids and explore the land together; walk the grounds and discover a spiritual connection to the land; or come for an informative lecture or workshop. We hope you will consider joining us for an upcoming program or experience. *See offerings on back.*

VOLUNTEER

Wisdom Prairie Workdays

Volunteering lifts your spirit and at Holy Wisdom Monastery it also helps protect and restore the earth. All year long, we invite you to volunteer at our Wisdom Prairie Workdays. These work parties help maintain the prairies, build community and make a difference. Scheduled workdays are on Wednesdays from 9:00-11:30 am. Please contact Amy at aalstad@holywisdommonastery.org to register.

Trail Monitoring

For those who can't volunteer during the week, consider coming for a walk on our trails whenever your availability permits. We could always use your help monitoring trail conditions!

Protocol for trail monitoring is simple: Walk a section – or two or all – of the Holy Wisdom trails and report what you encounter using a simple online form at <https://forms.office.com/r/TscmeyQkwu>. For now, this is a purely a monitoring program. In other words, no need to engage with trail users e.g. about dogs or other infractions.

SUPPORT

Help us take care of the earth at Holy Wisdom Monastery by becoming a member of the Friends of Wisdom Prairie or giving a gift to the Care for the Earth fund. Learn more at HolyWisdomMonastery.org.



Holy Wisdom Monastery

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2024 Friends of Wisdom Prairie Events

EVENTS/EXPERIENCES

Feb 22 (Th)	1:00-3:00 pm	Wisdom Prairie Winter Tour	Tour & learn about the prairie in winter
Mar 21 (Th)	9:00 am-11:30 am	Saving Our Songbirds Together: 3 Ways to Help at Home	Explore ways you can reduce threats to birds at your home
Apr 14 (Su)	10:30 am-12:00 pm	Kids on the Prairie	Families explore and learn about nature
Apr 17 (W)	12:00-1:00 pm	Volunteer Appreciation Lunch	Friends of Wisdom Prairie members are invited to join other monastery volunteers to celebrate all the ways you help us
Apr 17 (W)	1:15-2:15 pm	Spring Solar Tilt	Help us tilt the new solar panels for spring
Apr 17 (W)	1:00-3:00 pm	Wisdom Prairie Spring Tour	Tour & learn about the prairie in spring
May 11 (Sa)	6:00 am-6:00 pm	The Great WI Birdathon	Help us find as many unique bird species as possible in one day while raising funds for bird conservation
May 19 (Su)	10:30 am-12:00 pm	Kids on the Prairie	Families explore and learn about nature
June 23 (Su)	10:30 am-12:00 pm	Kids on the Prairie	Families explore and learn about nature
July 25 (Th)	8:00-10:00 am	Wisdom Prairie Summer Tour	Tour & learn about the prairie in summer
Aug. 11 (Su)	10:30 am-12:00 pm	Kids on the Prairie	Families explore and learn about nature
Sep. 8 (Su)	10:30 am-12:00 pm	Kids on the Prairie	Families explore and learn about nature
Oct. 13 (Su)	10:30 am-12:00 pm	Kids on the Prairie	Families explore and learn about nature
Oct. 24 (Th)	1:00-3:00 pm	Wisdom Prairie Fall Tour	Tour & learn about the prairie in fall
Nov. 7 (Th)	5:00-8:00 pm	Social History of Lake Mendota Dinner Lecture and Friends of Wisdom Prairie Annual Meeting	Learn about the people, places and events that have shaped Lake Mendota

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Every Wed. throughout the year	9:00-11:30 am	Wisdom Prairie Workdays	Please register by emailing Amy Alstad, aalstad@holylwisdommonastery.org.
Any time you are free		Trail Monitoring	Help us monitor trail conditions. Walk a section – or two or all – of the Holy Wisdom trails and report what you encounter using a simple online form. Contact Amy Alstad at aalstad@holylwisdommonastery.org for more information about volunteering on the land.



Learn more & register at
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