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The Splash for JUNE 2023





Next in the Practical Water Wisdom series:

"Are invasive cattails taking over your lake?"

THURSDAY ~ JUNE 1ST ~ 12–1PM



Did you know there are more than one type of cattails?

In Minnesota lakes, a diverse community of aquatic plants in the nearshore zone prevents erosion, supports the lake's food web

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Dr. Amy Schrank, Extension Program Leader at the University of MN Sea Grant and an Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology at the University of Minnesota.

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Register Here

"Bravo", "Kudos", so much to celebrate....

Our 2023 Youth Water Summit

ticked all the boxes ..

√ Excellent Attendance with over 450 5th grade students from Grand Rapids, Cohasset, Bigfork, St. Joseph's, and Coleraine schools.

 \surd Over 45 diverse and fascinating presentations put on by knowledgeable enthusiasts from all over the state and right next door.

 $\sqrt{}$ Scores of volunteers of all ages - before, during, and after the event.

 $\sqrt{}$ Support from businesses, educators, and media.

 $\sqrt{\mbox{Excellent weather, albeit on the hot}}$ side!

Thank you to all who make this event possible!



Grand Rapids Horticulture Students Continue Native Plantings



What WERE they doing?

Rachel Newman's class, with the assistance of Master Gardener Susan Lick and Itasca Water's intrepid David Lick, are at it again!

On May 15th this powerhouse team used a combination of native perennials the students grew over the winter, along with divisions from established plantings ready for thinning, to augment the hillside planting along the pedestrian bridge over the Mississippi in Grand Rapids.

Itasca Waters provided the seeds for Monarda, Butterfly Weed, Prairie Clover and Blue Sage, which the Horticulture class nurtured over the winter. Now those plants are growing at several locations around the county!

Interested in a Shoreland Visit?



Itasca Waters Shoreland Advisor Program is in swing! Focused on restoring and preserving shoreland here in Itasca County at no cost, by using helpful practices that can positively impact lake water quality. Our advisors make personal onsite visits with lakeshore owners who want information about managing shoreland property in an ecologically friendly way that helps water quality.

Yes, I am interested in a free Shoreland Visit!

Learn More

Native plants available locally...

Our local garden centers carry a selection of native plants including some that are recommended specifically for shoreland.

Bloomers landscape designer Stepheni Nelson gave us this list of shoreland natives they will be carrying this season. Click <u>here</u> to see the list!



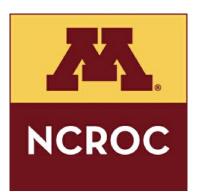


Beier's 2707 Midway Lane, Grand Rapids MN 218-326-5357 beiersgreenhouse.com



Bloomers 1037 Golf Course Rd, Grand Rapids, MN 218-326-0668 <u>bloomersmn.com</u>

Upcoming Events:



Mark your calendars: NCROC Visitor's Day moves to July 27th, with extended hours of 9 to 4am!

We'd love to see you there!

MORE INFORMATION



All our earlier Water Wisdom programs are available to watch any time:

Bookmark <u>itascawaters.org/water-wisdom-</u> 2023 – your access to the entire series! Free and online.

You'll also find a link to our 2022 series on that page.

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