

2015 Northwest Iowa Sierra Group Highlights

December 17 - "Coffee and Climate", hosted by NextGen Climate, Jim Stroh explained the connection between climate change and all elements of nature upon which we rely in supporting human life.

December 10 - "Coffee and Climate" hosted by NexGen Climate at Pierce St Coffee Works. Dolf Ivener, one of our favorite "4th Tuesdays" guest speakers, motivated us to become involved in our future of sustainable energy. Continuing

December 8 - Met with Brendon Murray, NextGen Climate to work on how to collaborate.

November 29 - Climate Rally in Sioux City. See "Get Involved" tab for follow-up story.

November 29 - Pre-screen/discussion of Discover Channel's upcoming documentary, Racing Extinction. See "Get Involved" tab for follow-up story.

November 5 - We toured the Sioux City Water Treatment Plant along with City Council members, Mayor Scott, EAB members and local media.

October 31 - Took a half-day road trip to Owego Wetlands Complex

October 28 - Were guests panel members during the fall fundraiser event for our Siouxland Public Media station, KWIT.

October 28 - Met with the Utilities Director and the Plant Superintendent of the Sioux City Water Treatment Plant to discuss views on treatment processes.

September 27 - "Super Moon" total eclipse gazing on top of Heendah Hills north of Stone State Park (see pics in Prairie Preservation tab)

September 27 - Learned about organic ag practices, apples and aronia berries during road trip to Eden Orchard near Akron (see pics in Prairie Preservation tab)

September 25 - Helped feed 1500 6th graders during Riverfication. This outdoor classroom event was held on the north side of the Missouri River, Sioux City.

September 19 - Joined Andrea Porter, Nature Conservancy and others in clearing black locust brush from Sioux City Prairie (see pics in Prairie Preservation tab)

September 18 - "Seed and Feed" at Bill and Dottie Zale's prairie near Westfield Iowa (see pics in Prairie Preservation tab)

September 17 - Monarch tagging at Sioux City Prairie (see pics in Prairie Preservation tab)

September 16 - Kite flying and sunset watching at Heendah Hills north of Stone

State Park (see pics in Prairie Preservation tab)

September 15 - Shared stories and enjoyed the sunset on Sioux City Prairie during "A Little Reading on the Prairie" (see pics in Prairie Preservation tab)

August 29 - Guided visit to O'Brien Prairie and Pioneer Cemetery near Kingsley.

August 14 - Campfire at Americorp workers' cabin in Stone Park, then meteor gazing at Heendah Hills (we just couldn't get enough on the 12th!)

August 12 - Camping and meteor shower gazing at fellow Sierra Club member's farm.

July 15 - Movie Night "DamNation"

July 11 - Bison Days

June 26 - Hiked Southwood with Woodbury County Parks naturalist

June 20 - Sierra Club members assisted at the Citywide Clean Up

May 29-31 - Loess Hills Prairie Seminar

May 19 - Sun 'n Fun Senior Fair

May 16 - Hiked Sioux City Prairie

May 5 - Sponsored Executive Committee member to attend Climate Reality Project training in Cedar Rapids

April 22 - Members helped plan seven-year-old Briana's Earth Day themed birthday party.

April 22 - Perry Creek clean up

February - Sierra members researched and led the project to create locally sourced native pollinator plant seed packets for the Sioux City Environmental Advisory Board to share with the public at the Siouxland Garden Show.

April 19 - Ed Fallon visited.

Supported Lakota Youth and TR's social justice work.

Strong Women of the Four Directions Walking Path Clean-ups

Strong Women of the Four Directions garden planting