VOLUNTEERS ESTABLISH PRAIRIE AND WOODLAND PLANTS ON CAMPUS

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| Paint spayed over holes in a plastic sheet mark future plant locations at the Natural Resources Building (NRB) on campus. | Twenty species of woodland wildflowers were planted in five plots in front of the NRB. |
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| More woodland wildflowers are between the two entrances to Burrill Hall near the Quad. | SECS and Red Bison started prairie seeds in the Turner Hall greenhouse. |
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| Volunteers ranging in age from 4 to 70+ transplanted seedlings to small pots. | Meanwhile Allerton Allies and students cleared 4 large circles in the Allerton Park prairie. |

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| The Allerton prairie has few species of forbs so the intent of the project is to establish a variety of species. | On a rainy April day about 1600 plants were placed in the circles. Most survived the drought and deer predation. |
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| Students and other volunteers drilled holes for 600 prairie plants behind the NRB. | Colored flags were used to guide the placement of plants. |
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| On April 22 seedlings dot the plot which is visible from Pennsylvania Avenue. | Volunteers watered the plot and the plants were doing well in this September photo. |

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| U of I Facilities and Services placed chips on part of the Florida – Orchard prairie field for replanting by volunteers in May. | Volunteers drilled about 6000 holes to receive seedlings grown by students in the greenhouse. |
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| Over 100 volunteers from campus and the community participated at the site over the spring and summer. | Weeds, especially crab grass, took advantage of the drought and soon dominated much of the area. |
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| Volunteers and GPF interns spent many hours weeding in 90 degree heat. Limited watering was done from a borrowed tank. | By late September many plants were in bloom along Florida Ave. Volunteers are needed to help established the prairie. |

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| Orchard Downs residents Scattering seeds. | Red Bison weeding at Florida -- Orchard |

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| NRB prairie plot in bloom in October. |
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| Florida – Orchard work day in October. |