

**HIKE No. 2826 – Ann and Mark Brockway Farm - Colesburg, IA**  
**Saturday, August 10, 2024 - 10:00 AM**

This hike is on private property owned by Mark and Anne Brockway. We will hike and enjoy fellowship in remembrance of Doris Brockway, Mark's mother, who was a long-time member of our club. Doris passed away in July, 2017.

Hike a beautiful, established Monarch Pollinator Prairie in its August glory. August is the pinnacle month for the prairie: yellows, purples--a profusion of forbs and wildlife! You are likely to see pollinators of all types: monarchs, hummingbirds, various bees, yellow swallowtails, red spotted purples, viceroys, and red admirals. You also may spot four kinds of woodpeckers, goldfinches, red-breasted grosbeaks, indigo buntings, bluebirds, two kinds of orioles, red-tailed hawks, eagles, and many more that are routinely seen on the property!

The hike will be on hilly, mowed, grassy trails. Hiking sticks are recommended. There are pathways so that you can feel as if you are hiking through a field of colorful blooms and grasses. Special features of this site include beautiful valley views, rock walls, and moss-covered outcroppings. Diverse tree species include various hickory species, oaks, aspen, cottonwoods, basswoods, walnuts, the American Hophornbeam (aka Ironwood), and American Hornbeam (aka Musclewood).

Plan to stay for after hike fellowship and food. Bring a lawn chair and a cup. We will have a campfire. Food and beverage will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and table service if you choose. Bathroom facilities available on property. Carpooling is encouraged.

Post-hike: it is a very scenic drive north from the Brockway's to Millville and Guttenberg about 7 miles. Trout fishing is always good in the Little Turkey River.

Directions: From Quad Cities: just over 100 mi., approx. 1hr 40 minutes. Head north on Hwy 61. Just south of Dubuque, look for large overhead powerlines crossing the highway. Between Mile Marker 180 and 181 turn left (west) on Skyline Rd. (D41). Follow Skyline Rd., it will turn into Monastery Rd. and you will pass the New Melleray Trappist Monastery, continue on Monastery Rd., it will "T" in to Hwy Y21, turn right onto Y21 (Sundown Rd.) and drive north until you come to Hwy 20 at Peosta. Head west on Hwy 20. Get off at Dyersville, Exit 294 and take Hwy 136 North. Travel north on Hwy 136 and drive through the towns of New Vienna and Luxemburg. At Luxemburg continue north on Hwy 52. Drive approx. 2 mi. north of Luxemburg on Hwy 52 and turn left (west) at the second left past Luxemburg which is Spoden Rd. Follow Spoden Rd. (hard surface road) until it is called Graham Rd. (gravel road) at the county line and continue on Graham Rd. to the bottom of the hill. Turn left on Landau Rd. and cross the metal bridge at the Little Turkey River. Just past the bridge continue to drive straight ahead up the hill on Landau Rd. Look for the first blue sign on your left with the address: "34010."

GPS address: 34010 Landau Road, Colesburg, IA 52035

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