

{ October 2018 }

# What's growing on

at Central Gardens of North Iowa

## upcoming events

**MONTH OF OCTOBER - Scarecrows on display**

**OCTOBER 6: 4 to 7:00 pm:  
Family Fun Fall Feast**

**OCTOBER 14: Down & Dirty Fall Clean Up - 4 to 6:00 pm;  
Appreciation immediately following**

**NOVEMBER 1: Garden Gates Close for the Season**

### Fall Feast!

Bring the family to a fun fall feast on October 6<sup>th</sup>! From 4-7pm, Central Gardens and Clear Lake Local Foods Committee, will have hot, homemade soups made with



fresh, local ingredients as well as live music, yard games and gift drawings. All you

have to bring is a potluck dish to share, something to sit on, something to eat off of, and drinks! Let's celebrate together the bounty of our locally-grown food! Check Facebook and CentralGardensNorthIowa.com for updates.

### Rental Opportunities

Did you know that you can rent the Nature Education Pavilion (NEP) all year around? Book now for your next family gathering, baby shower, or work meeting!

## New Butterfly Sculpture

The 2018 season of Picnics and Performances came to a close on September 9<sup>th</sup> to the classical music of Dennis Root's string quartet. The pieces selected spanned many genres and welcomed all to listen. The large audience was also able to partake in the dedication of the new Butterfly Sculpture to the Gardens from the very supportive Jim and Ann Kuhlman. The touching story from the artist and Ann's birthday celebration made the evening even more memorable. We are happy to welcome all to see the new Butterfly sculpture in the gardens!



## We Need Your Help!

There are a few more Sunday's of Down & Dirty from 4-6pm! Worried you don't know what's a weed and what's a plant? Don't be! Show up willing to work and we will show you what to do!

## Attention Newsletter Recipients

With Central Garden's new Membership Program and ongoing green efforts, we have made a few changes concerning future newsletters. As of January 1, 2019; hard-copy newsletters will only be sent to CGNI Members. We will continue to provide electronic newsletters. Membership information will be available on our website soon or email questions to [director@centralgardensnorthiowa.com](mailto:director@centralgardensnorthiowa.com).



*Autumn is a second spring where every leaf is a flower. – Albert Camus*



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**Return Service Requested**

Central Gardens will close for the season on November 1<sup>st</sup>! Come enjoy the last of this year's flowers!



## ornamental grasses

Late summer and fall are two good reasons to plant ornamental grasses.

With sunlight glinting off silvery, golden and pinkish plumes, the garden positively glows. All it takes is a soft breeze to make the scene shimmer. Take a close look at them this month when you visit Central Gardens.

Once established, just water during drought and cut back in early spring. They withstand pests (even deer avoid them).

For more information check out this website:  
<http://www.thegardenhelper.com/grasses.html>