

Friends of the Wild Flower Garden

A Sampling of Friends Funded Projects at Eloise Butler



Left: 2019 Completion of the wetland boardwalk. Right: 2015 - Phase I of the wetland boardwalk
A joint project with MPRB



Front and back gate construction and iron work.
Front gate 1990, back gate 1995-97



2005 - Wrought Iron fencing along back of Garden



1995 - Wrought Iron Fencing along front of Garden



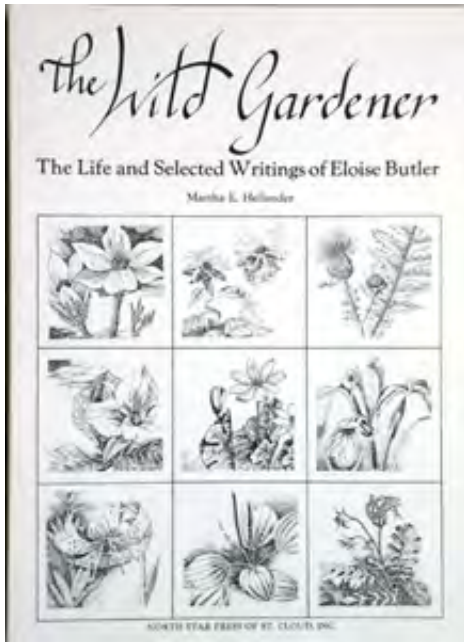
1969/70 Construction of the Martha Crone Shelter



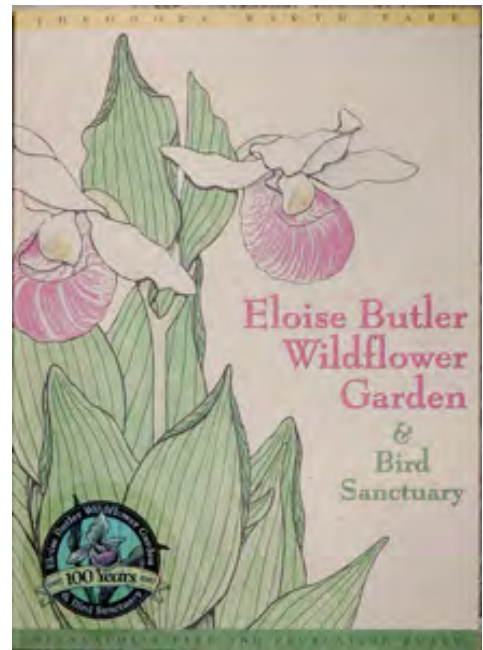
2005 - Avery Birding Terrace



1990 - Sculpted Stone Birdbath



1989 - 1992 - Funding of the research and publication of *The Wild Gardener*, a biography of Eloise Butler, by Martha E. Hellander.



2001 - Funds for production of the Garden guide book



Ongoing - Annually - Transportation Grants for School Classes to visit the Garden.
\$15,300 since inception.



Ongoing - annually - Funding for new plants for the Garden
\$32,600 in the past 12 years.

Chronological listing of many other projects:

- 2017 - Completion of Shelter Desk - total cost \$1464, Prairie and wetland restoration
- 2015 - Invasive plant control in the prairie and marsh areas - \$5,125.
- 2013 \$3,750 funding for the Bee Survey of the Garden -
- 2007 - Funding for a new shelter exterior door with custom ironwork - \$2,020.
- 2004 - New copper rain gutters for the Martha Crone Shelter
- 2002 - Funds for trail work from the Shelter area down to the bog trails.
- 2001 - Funds for production of the new guide book. - photo above
- 2000 - Funds for new trail timbers from the front gate down to the Shelter. Three new patio area benches.
- 1998-99 - Installing a well at the Great Medicine Spring.
- 1998 - Purchase of two bike racks. Purchase of log splitter for the Garden.
- 1998- Funding for materials to repair and improve the Curator's work shed.
- 1997 - Funding help for replacing the back Garden trail from the Woodland Garden up to the Upland Garden.
- 1995 Funding for the Nordquist Fountain in the Upland Garden. Bookcase for the Shelter. Purchase of 3 granite slabs to use as seats in the Upland Garden new addition.
- 1994 - Funds for work on designating the Garden as a historic site.
- 1993 - New fencing for a portion of the Upland Garden. Help for the acquisition of additional Upland Garden area. Purchase of granite boulders for seating at the Mallard Pool area
- 1992 - Dredging of the Mallard Pool. 1992 - New Stove in the Garden Curator's Shed.
- 1989 - Purchase of a drop-down ladder for attic access in the Martha Crone Shelter.
- 1988 - Purchase of a refrigerator and reference books for the Martha Crone Shelter.
- 1986 - Funding for a complete plant census of the Garden in preparation for issuance of a new guidebook, funds for a shelter alarm system and repairs caused by a break-in.
- 1985 - Funds for the purchase of plants for the Garden and for Small Study Grants to Students
- 1981 - Funds for Small Study Grants to Students
- 1983 - Funds for two Garden Benches as memorials between front gate and the Shelter and for Small Study Grants to Students
- 1982 - Funds for a telephone answering machine and for Small Study Grants to Students
- 1981 - Funds for reprinting the Garden Visitor Guide and for for Small Study Grants to Students
- 1980 - Funds for the printing of the first edition of a new Garden Visitor Guide and for Small Study Grants to Students
- 1979 - Funds for Small Study Grants to Students
- 1978 - Funds for Small Study Grants to Students, Log Splitter, Two captains chairs for the Shelter
- 1975 - Funds to rehabilitate the old Front Gate to the Garden replacing it with an iron gate, add new steps from the parking lot and a handrail along the steps. Replacement for the stolen tape deck.
- 1974 - Funds to install lighting for the Martha Crone Shelter display cases, new fireplace doors and a chain saw.
- 1973 - Funding for the construction of the Garden Restroom near the front gate.
- 1972 - Funds for the purchase of a garden tractor.
- 1955 - 1968 Prior to the construction of the Martha Crone Shelter, the Friends donated \$500 per year to the Park Board to be used for Garden projects.