



# Missouri Native Plant Society Hawthorn Chapter Newsletter

Volume 24, Number 7  
*Hawthorn Chapter Officers:*

**President**

Vanessa Melton  
573-864-3905  
[vanndawn@gmail.com](mailto:vanndawn@gmail.com)

**Vice President**

Jack Beckett

**Secretary**

Jean Graebner  
1800 Roby Farm Rd.  
Rocheport, MO  
573-698-2855  
[jeanr@socket.net](mailto:jeanr@socket.net)

**Treasurer**

Paula Peters  
2216 Grace Ellen Dr  
Columbia, MO 65202  
573-474-4225  
[pieridae1@gmail.com](mailto:pieridae1@gmail.com)

**Chapter Representative**

Nadia Navarrete-Tindall  
573-289-2018  
[navarrete-tindalln@lincolnu.edu](mailto:navarrete-tindalln@lincolnu.edu)

**Web Master**

Judy Ward  
[wardjud@gmail.com](mailto:wardjud@gmail.com)

**Web site:**

<http://columbianativeplants.missouri.org/>

The Hawthorn Chapter of the Missouri Native Plant Society Newsletter is published monthly. Send your submissions to:

**Newsletter Editor**

Becky Erickson  
573-657-2314  
[beckyerick@socket.net](mailto:beckyerick@socket.net)

July 2009

## Future Activities

Watch email for reminders of activities and notices of changes. If you do not communicate by email and want to be notified, please call Paula to get on the phone list. You are strongly urged to make a reservation with Paula or Becky for an outing so we will wait for you, or call you immediately if there is a change the morning of a scheduled activity. Watch email for notices of impromptu walks. **Please offer suggestions of your favorite destinations** to Paula or Becky; we will get them posted as soon as weather permits. If you do not communicate by email and have a suggested destination or want notice of a walk, please call Paula to get on the phone list.

**July 13: Regular Meeting** 7:00 pm at the Unitarian Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd. John Dyer will speak on Heirloom Apples and Grafting Apple Trees

**July 20 Thursday: Lunch with Native Plant Enthusiasts!** 11:30 am at the Uprise Bakery at 10 Hitt Street, near Broadway.

**August:** Wetland walk

**September-October:** Fall prairie walk for seed collection. Fall color walk.

**September 19: A Taste of Lincoln Festival.** During this event, the new Lincoln University Cooperative Extension Outdoor Laboratory, landscaped with native plants, will be featured. Watch this newsletter for details.

**September 25-27: Fall Board Meeting and 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** in Fulton. State Board has made extra efforts to bring together the founders and to make this a celebration. Watch this newsletter and Petal Pusher for details.

**October 3: In Touch with Nature, Field Day at Lincoln University Busby Farm** in Jefferson City. Wagon tours and exhibits to discuss uses of native plants in landscaping, conservation, and as alternative crops will be emphasized. We will be setting up the booth; please let us know if you will be helping. Watch newsletter for details.

**October 17: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Chestnut Roast** at the University of MO Franklin Farm. 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

**November:** wreath making and cookout.

**December 5: Winter Board Meeting** – 10:00 am at the Dunn-Palmer Herbarium in Columbia

**July is the month for renewing your membership. The form is on the back page. It is most efficient to send you 2009 dues to our chapter treasurer.**

**Paula Peters  
2216 Grace Ellen Dr  
Columbia MO 65202**

## Bradford Farm Field Day June 18

*Submitted by Paula Peters*

We had a great day at Bradford, for the Quail and Native Plant Field Day in June. A nice cool breeze made the heat bearable, and grilled burgers provided by The Farm were a plus!

We had a lot of interest in our books. We took in \$514.00. \$355.00 of this amount was for books, and \$159.00 for plants. We could have sold more wetland/rain-garden plants if we had brought them. Profit from the books was \$67.00, so total profit for the day was \$226.00.

It would appear that the bad economy has actually helped native plants.



*V. Melton photo*

L>R: Becky Lea, Paula, Wanda have a short time for a break on a busy day at Bradford Quail field day.

**July 20:  
Lunch with Native Plant Enthusiasts!  
11:30 am at Uprise Bakery  
Hitt Street just south of Broadway**

**We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday  
of the month.  
All are invited; please join us.**

**Thanks to** Paula Peters, Judy Turner, and Vanessa Melton for their contributions this month.

**RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP PLEASE!!**

## MONPS 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Fulton, Missouri

**Friday Evening, September, 25 – Westminster College**

**Hunter Activity Center – Hermann Lounge**

5:30 PM – Reception and Welcome

7:00 PM – MONPS Quarterly Board Meeting

**Saturday Morning, September 26 – 8:00 AM to Noon**

Field Trip – Prairie Garden Trust – 4 mi S of Fulton

Private preserve owned and managed by Lorna and Henry Domke

We'll meet at the Country Hearth & Inn parking lot at 8:00 AM

**Saturday Afternoon, September 26 – Westminster College**

**Hunter Activity Center – Hermann Lounge**

1:00-5:00 PM – Speaker Series

Doug Ladd, Paul Nelson, Bill Summers, Jim H. Wilson, & George Yatskievych

**Saturday Evening, September 26 – 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM**

Banquet Dinner – Sir Winston's Restaurant, Fulton

MONPS Awards

Possible keynote speaker?

**Sunday Morning, September 27 – 8:00 AM to Noon**

Field Trip – probably Tucker Prairie; suggestions are accepted.

Again, we'll meet at the Country Hearth & Inn parking lot at 8:00 AM

**Lodging – in Fulton**

Country Hearth Inn & Suites ~ \$80 with AAA or AARP – (573)642-0077

**Lodging – Kingdom City – 10 mi N of Fulton**

Super 8 ~ \$58 with Missouri Native Plant Society – (573)642-2888

(Contract # G0000863)

**Additional Lodging**

**Fulton:** Holiday Inn Express ~ \$86 – (877)863-4780

**Kingdom City:** Comfort Inn ~ \$90 – (573)642-7745

**Note:** It is a “Family Weekend” for Westminster College in Fulton. You may want to make reservations early

**State Board has made extra efforts to bring together the founders and to make this a celebration. Fulton is only 30 minutes from Columbia, and you have 4 months' notice; please put this on your calendar now. Watch this newsletter and Petal Pusher for details.**

**RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP PLEASE!!**

## Walk to Danville Glade

Submitted by *Becky Erickson*

Judy Turner came from Texas for a visit primarily to attend Marge McDermott's memorial park dedication, but she also wanted to visit with her native plant friends and see a piece of wild Missouri. Paula, Jack Beckett, John White, Janice Bryan, and Becky accompanied Judy on this eventful outing Saturday June 6.

We decided to go to Danville CA and take an old road up to a hilltop glade. The area manager had accomplished much clearing of cedar and a couple of fires in the last 5 years, so the diversity of vegetation had exploded. The most exciting find was a large area dominated by climbing milkweed [*Matelia decipiens*]. Purple milkweed [*Asclepias purpurascens*] and zigzag spiderwort [*Tradescantia subaspera*] made a brilliant splash of color along the road and we saw both golden alexanders [*Zizia aurea* and *Zizia aptera*] just across the road from one another. There were a few Indian paintbrush [*Castilleja coccinea*] and pale purple coneflowers [*Echinacea pallida*] up on the glade.

Much amazement and amusement was focused on the discovery of some dung beetles working over a pile of raccoon scat in the road [Dung beetles are disappearing because of the use of pesticides used on livestock and in livestock feed.]



*Matelia decipiens*

*B Erickson photo*



*Asclepias purpurascens*

*B. Erickson photo*



*Castilleja*

*J. Turner photo*



Dung beetles

*J. Turner photo*

**RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP  
PLEASE!!**

## Photos from Marge's Memorial Park Dedication



*JT photo*

Attendees of the dedication: Nadia, Randy, Sandra, Jim, Vanessa, Judy, Paula, Becky, Ann with Marge's tulip tree

Jean Graebner whose persistence saw the Memorial Park [and many other projects] thru to completion, was awarded a Chapter Blazing Star award.



*J Turner photo*



*J. Turner photo*



*J. Turner photo*

George Brakhage accepts the Chapter Blazing Star Award from President Vanessa Melton [right]; Jean Everett [left] stood in for her mother Nancy who was out of town.

---

### **Register Immediately for Columbia Rain Garden Seminar**

Columbia/Boone County Rain Garden Program would like to invite you to attend the first Rain Garden Seminar. Register yourself or your business today!

Speakers' topics include; Rain gardens as storm water solution; Rain garden plants; Planning and installing you rain garden. Lunch and tours. Local landscapers and growers will be on hand to talk to you from 8 to 9 am and again during lunch: 11:45 to 1pm.

Date: Friday, 31 July 2009; 8 am to 3:30 pm

Location: Boone electric community Room  
1413 Rangeline St, Columbia

Pre-registration for lunch and tours before 15 July: \$15. From 15 to 25 July: \$20

NO registration or refunds after 25 July

To register: [www.moriver.org/raingardens/register.html](http://www.moriver.org/raingardens/register.html)

Or mail [TODAY] your name, phone number and email address WITH a check or money order to:

Missouri River Communities Network

200 Old 63 #203

Columbia MO 65201



**Please Step Forward For Service**

Please contact one of the officers ready to volunteer a little time to a very good environmental and educational service. We need people to grow plants for fundraising and we need people to man our information booth at events such as Earth Day.

\_\_\_ Student (\$11.00)

\_\_\_ Regular (\$16.00)

\_\_\_ Contributing (\$26.00)

Includes both Chapter and State dues.

Make check payable to: **Missouri Native Plant Society.**

**Send check and this form to:** Paula Peters, 2216 Grace Ellen Dr., Columbia, MO 65202

**MEMBERSHIP FORM Missouri Native Plant Society—Hawthorn Chapter July 1 through June 30.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Day (or cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want to receive email updates between newsletters?

**Yes No**

Method of receiving chapter newsletter:

(circle preference) **Email Regular mail**

**(Email delivery brings you color photos and it saves NPS money)**

Hawthorn Chapter Missouri Native Plant Society  
Newsletter editor, Becky Erickson  
PO Box 496  
Ashland MO 65010-0496

