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Future Activities

Watch email for email notices of impromptu hikes. Please offer suggestions of your favorite walking destinations to Paula or Becky; we will get them posted as soon as weather permits. PLEASE call or email Becky or Paula as soon as you know you will attend an activity. We don't want to leave anyone behind if weather or plans change. Leave your name and PHONE # if you leave a message. Carpool meeting place, commuter parking lot at AC and US63. We will no longer offer planned tours of local wild areas. Occasionally one will be posted on the calendar. Otherwise, only interested members will be contacted by email a few days in advance of a mosey activity. As stated above, let your ideas for a mosey location be noticed. We will let the rest of the local membership know about the visit to your favorite location.

Becky needs help prepping plants for April Sales. Call to volunteer NOW to 12 April 657-2314.

Weekly walks - See Spring Unfold

The 32nd annual, led by Randal Clark!

Every Thursday from 5:30-7:30pm March 27 through May 15 Meet at Devil's Icebox parking lot in Rock Bridge State Park. Reservations are not required.

April

5 Saturday, 11-2 Brunch and possible mosey. Nadia and Randy's House, 2116 Grant, Columbia.

12 Saturday 10 - 2 Bradford Farm Plant Sale. Please contact Paula to help set up and tear down booth and sell plants.

17 Thursday Lunch with native plant enthusiasts. 11:30 at RagTag 10 Hitt Street = just south of Broadway. Good food and lively conversation.

27 Sunday 9 – 6 Earth Day Booth and plant sale in Columbia. We have the same space as last year. Contact Paula to learn about volunteering.

May

2-4 Friday thru Sunday State Fieldtrip to wild areas around Potosi. Look for details in Petal Pusher and on the MONPS Facebook page.

10 May Saturday Mosey and pot luck (or possibly another date, depending on the celandine poppy blooms) gathering at Becky's place and a walk into Baskett Area. Also buy plants you missed at the April sales.

12 Monday 7 PM Membership Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd.. Bill Ambrose will talk about glade restoration.

15 Thursday Lunch with native plant enthusiasts. 11:30 at RagTag 10 Hitt Street = just south of Broadway. Good food and lively conversation.

June

13-15 Friday thru Sunday: State Meeting and field trips from Bethany MO

15 Saturday: Gather at Terry Boyd's for persimmon treats & see their 40 acres and 6 miles of trails thru various native habitats.

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Thanks Boyd Terry and Nadia Navarrete-Tindall for their submissions. Thanks to Doug Miller for keeping the website up to date. Please send new photos to Doug.

We would like to get announcements, impressions, species accounts, photos, poems, links to scientific articles or other creative nature writing from you, too.

Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Boyd E. Terry Secretary

Our membership Meeting was called to order about 6 pm Monday, 10 March. Bob Kremer, Professor of Soil Microbiology University of Missouri presented "Healing & Building Soil At Prairie Birthday Farm". This was a 12 year research project to rebuild worn out loess soil in a natural way with native plants and methods compared to adjacent land with fertilizer and insecticide. The discussion following revealed the intense interest of his topic with much learning for all. There were 14 present including 2 visitors. Lisa Karosic was one and the 2nd guest slipped away before introductions.

Business Meeting conducted by Denny Donnell: minutes were reviewed and sustained; Treasurers report was in order; Calendar items were noted. Becky Erickson needs help at her home with preparing native plant specimens for upcoming sales. Call 657-2314 for specific appointment to help get us ready. The next meeting will be at the UU Church at 7:00 pm 12 May; Bill Ambrose will speak on Glade Restoration.

I have been unsuccessful to find Harbinger of Spring usually present by Mar 7. Perhaps the cold weather is to blame. I have found leaves but no blossoms.



New Orchid T-shirts now available

The same gorgeous design on a beige t-shirt.
They will go fast at our April Booth sales.
Get your size while it is still available.
Contact Paula

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17April Thurs Lunch at RagTag

Meet for lunch 11:30 at RagTag, 10 Hitt St [Just south of Broadway]. Lunches have been well attended with lively discussions. Hope to see you there.



Becky needs help preparing potted plants

for sale in April. I need help, grooming and tagging plants. Weather is unpredictable Please call me to arrange a time to volunteer. 657-2314

Send Nadia Ideas for Meeting Presentations

Please send any ideas for future meeting presentations to Nadia at navarrete-tindalln@lincolnu.edu. Suggestions for presentation subjects from the meeting included: insect pollinators, mushrooms, and more environmental connections. Please send in what YOU want to learn about. Some topics presented in the past were, controlled fires, how to install a perennial garden, propagating natives, bring in specimens for identification, photography, mosses, tree id, , , the choice is yours.

Petal Pusher: Change in Delivery

Submitted by Becky Erickson Petal Pusher Editor

I would still appreciate more responses for Petal Pusher delivery by email. As we transition into E-delivery of PP, I must have your permission to stop receiving the printed, mailed, paper copy from St Louis. Send requests to: beckyerick711@centurylink.net.

Turn screen time to green time; get outside!

Program 12 May Glade Restoration in the **Ozarks**

Submitted by Nadia Navarrete-Tindall Native to Missouri, Bill Ambrose, a retired dentist and now a farmer and conservationist was awarded the 2010 Water Conservationist of the Year by the Missouri Conservation Federation. He does conservation at his farm including glade restoration, seven so far. At present he is a Resource Professional for Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Department at Lincoln University, Cooperates with Missouri Conservation Department and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for Niangua Darter habitat. He is actively involved in Agriculture and Ecology on his 320 acre farm on Little Tavern Creek near St. Elizabeth in Miller County, Missouri. As a conservationist and farmer he grows corn, soybeans and hay and has cattle and harvest forest products. He has adopted a diversity of conservation practices including riparian buffers, terrestrial restorations, native plantings for forage and conservation, and water quality practices.

He will talk to us about his experience on glade restoration and the plant diversity that keeps showing year after year. He is passionate about conservation, especially about the positive impact of protecting his land on water quality of nearby creeks.



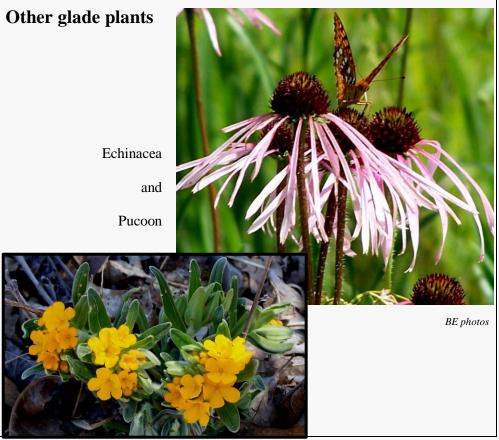
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Horseshoe Glade B Ambrose photo

I have been aggressively clearing "cedar glades" and then broadcasting a diverse mix of wildflower and native grass seed for the past 12 years. I now have about 25 acres total restored in 3 locations on my 325 acre farm. I have kept some oaks on the northern and eastern perspectives with more of a savanna look.

As a follow up to this presentation, Bill has invited the Native Plant Society members and others interested to visit his farm a weekend in June for a tour of the glades so one can see personally see glade native plant species and more.



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 serve as officers, to grow plants for fundraising and we need people to man our information booth at events such as Earth Day and Bradford Plant Sale. If you get this only by mail, please consider requesting email delivery; it saves us money.

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