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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.** Occasionally a mosey will be posted on the calendar. 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 destination.

September

6 Saturday Dining Wild at LU 3 to 9 PM. See article inside. Reservations due 23 Aug.

8 Monday 7 PM Membership Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd, Columbia. Glenn and Lea will speak about the progress of grant projects. We need to discuss the grant and other projects this fall.

MONPS Fall Meeting and Field Trips (September 12-14, 2014) – Cape Girardeau, MO.

We may visit Trail of Tears State Park, Sand Prairie Conservation Area, Kelso Sanctuary. See details in September Petal Pusher. All are welcomed and you may invite friends and family.

18 Thursday Lunch with native plant enthusiasts. 11:30 at RagTag 10 Hitt Street = just south of Broadway. Good food; lively conversation regarding plant management, environment, etc

20 Saturday Propagation Workshop at Burr Oak Woods Nature Center, Blue Springs. Noon to 4. Conducted by Becky Erickson.

October

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18 Saturday Lake of the Ozarks State Park, Rocky Top Trailhead Leader: Allison Vaughn allisonjv@yahoo.com Carpool from the AC Commuter Parking Lot at 7:30 a.m. The lot is on the southeast corner of the AC exit off Hwy 63 on Lenoir St. If you're not joining the carpool, meet at Rocky Top Trailhead at 9:00 a.m. After the trip we'll have lunch at Shawnee Bluff Winery. Rocky Top Trail is a wonderful example of just how important fire is to maintaining native glades and woodlands that once dominated the landscapes of this region. It consists of 2 loops, joining a half mile from the trailhead, totaling 2 miles of nature viewing. For a map of the trail please visit: <http://mostateparks.com/trails/lake-ozarks-state-park>

Look for a wreath workshop late in October. Collect dried native plant materials suitable for wreath-making.

November

10 Monday 7 PM Membership Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd, Columbia. Program TBA.

Thanks to Eric Bohle, Lea Langdon, Joanna Reuter, 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.

Announcements

Meeting Program for 8 September

Submitted by *Lea Langdon*

Glenn Pickett and Lea Langdon will share with us a survey of outdoor classrooms in the Columbia area, including a history of the RBHS rain garden, and a report on the 2 projects from this year at RBHS & West Junior High. The presentation will include photos of most of the outdoor classrooms in the area that include native plants &/or native habitats, and at least a bit about what has been happening in each of them in recent years.



Outdoor Classroom Project

If you would like to get involved in this project, we are working a couple hours about every other week. This is a good opportunity to see a few Missouri native plants and take home some seedlings. On the other hand, an additional opportunity to learn how to suppress alien invasive species.

If you have questions, please contact Lea at langtrea@gmail.com or 854-7647.



Ideas for Meeting Presentations?

Send them to Nadia

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!*



Lunch at RagTag Thurs 18 Sept

Meet for lunch 11:30 at RagTag, 10 Hitt St [Just south of Broadway. Lunches have been well attended with lively discussions about plant and landscape management, alien control, and plans for the next activity. Hope to see you there.



**Dues are Due
Please
Send to Paula**



Hawthorn Plant Nursery

For those who are not aware – all the plants we sell at the booth are propagated by our own chapter. They don't just magically appear for sale days and then disappear after the sale is over. They are propagated and cared for every day of the year and are available for your purchase. As soon as the weather is more temperate, it will be good for planting. Contact Becky for directions and an appointment – see bottom of masthead.

Dining Wild at LU

*Submitted by Nadia Navarrete-Tindall,
Lincoln University Native Plants Program*

Lincoln University Cooperative Extension's (LUCE) Native Plants Program (NPP) in Jefferson City is having a **Dining Wild experience on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at the Scruggs University Center at Lincoln University 820 Chestnut St. Jefferson City, MO. Garden tours and mixer 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.**

Dinner and presentations 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

A full course dinner prepared with native edible plants and locally grown meat and produce will be served. Menu includes appetizers, entrée, salad, side dishes desserts and local wine samples.

This dining experience will include optional native plant garden tours, educational exhibits, a social mixer, presentations and dinner.

Registration and exhibits start at 3 p.m. at Lincoln's Scruggs University Center lobby located at 820 Chestnut Street. Garden tours leave from Scruggs are 3:15 and 4:15 p.m., followed by a social mixer from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Scruggs lobby where wine samples and appetizers will be served. At the Scruggs Ballroom Dr. Nadia Navarrete-Tindall, LUCE State Extension Specialist will offer presentation Native Edibles of Missouri followed by dinner. Special guest Mr. Bill Rupert, horticulturist and native landscaper will present 'Landscaping with Native Plants' at 7:30 p.m.

Most of the meal, appetizers and beverages will include or be flavored with native edible plants such as dittany, stinging nettle, sumac and wild leeks. Locally grown produce and meats; such as buffalo meatloaf with wild leeks will be served.

The cost of the event is \$25. Check with name and contact information should be sent to Lincoln University Cooperative Extension (LUCE) c/o Shirley Downing, 900 Chestnut Street, Allen Hall Room 102, Jefferson City, MO 65101 by **August 23**.

Dr. Navarrete-Tindall says, "**The primary mission for LUCE's NPP is to increase awareness about native plant diversity and the importance for conservation and wildlife in urban and rural areas. An important goal of the NPP is to evaluate native plants with potential as specialty crops. During this event participants will have the opportunity to taste some of these edible native plants and learn to prepare them.**"

For more information, special accommodations or about having a booth please **contact Amy Hempen at HempenA@LincolnU.edu or call at (573) 819-3553.**

Natural Events at Chert Hollow Farm

Submitted by Joanna Reuter

[Ed note: Eric and Joanna Reuter own and operate Chert Hollow Farm, LLC, a diversified Community Supported Agriculture farm offering weekly deliveries of fresh produce and more to Columbia, MO. They have developed a very interesting and extensive web site – highly recommended for a visit and perusal. There are many photos on the links provided.]

New Hawthorn Chapter NPS members Eric & Joanna Reuter have been documenting natural events on their diversified Boone County farm in a series of monthly blog posts. Working outdoors provides many opportunities to observe, document, & photograph the local ecosystem. Photographic highlights (including plants), a bird list, and noteworthy natural events go into each month's post. The most recent post (for July 2014) is available here: <http://chert hollow farm.com/2014/08/bird-list-natural-events-july-2014/>

An archive of monthly natural events posts going back to 2011 is indexed here: <http://chert hollow farm.com/landscape/>



Roll Up Our Sleeves . . .

Submitted by Eric Bohle ebohle4@gmail.com

I am putting together an organization that will encourage volunteers to help remove invasive plants. I created a Facebook page: Mid Missouri Volunteer Ecological Restoration Network or MM-VERN. I did this because Rock Bridge State Park in Boone County is working to create a buffer zone around the park where volunteers can help landowners keep invasive plants out of their land and therefore away from the park. Right now we need volunteers!

By having a Facebook presence and a name, we can better plan and coordinate volunteer efforts that involve all sorts of other organizations and like-minded individuals. Also I believe that by providing such a platform, we can identify other areas where we can not only remove invasive species, but also publicize the problem to those unaware that there is a problem.

I have created an additional awareness venue - a website called Horticulture Hell! <http://horthell.weebly.com/>. Anyone interested in contributing articles or photos is welcome to participate. My other website is Casual Landscape Decisions:

<http://eekeverywhere.wordpress.com/> Also I made a YouTube video on Asian Bush Honeysuckle

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9prSi7G4x_A. I don't have much experience in organizing volunteers, making videos or websites. Any feedback on these efforts is appreciated.

I'm working to get the ball rolling so we can do something to preserve our historical landscapes and native plants. Also we can set an example for other communities by creating awareness through preservation of a few areas so that future generations will have an example of how beautiful and diverse our plant communities once were.

Please contact Eric with any assistance on videos, web site building, networking, radio announcements, and organizing workdays. ebohle4@gmail.com

Right now is the best time to cut trees, bushes, woody vines and paint the stumps with 20% glyphosate.

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.

___ Regular (\$16.00)*

___ Student (\$11.00)

___ Contributing (\$26.00)* designate chapter or state

___ State Lifetime (\$200)

___ Chapter Lifetime (\$120 – you must also be a member of the state organization to utilize this option)

___ Chapter only (\$6.00 – this is for members who already belong to State and another chapter).

*Includes both Chapter (\$6) and State (\$10) dues.

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

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