



# Missouri Native Plant Society Hawthorn Chapter Newsletter

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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.

**18 June, Thursday: 11:30 Lunch at RagTag.** 10 Hitt St, just south of Broadway.

**26 – 28 June State field trips in the Kirksville area.** Refer to your last Petal Pusher and the MONPS website [ [www.monativeplants.org](http://www.monativeplants.org) ] for more details

**13 July Monday 7 pm Members Meeting** Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd, Columbia.

**16 July, Thursday: 11:30 Lunch at RagTag.** 10 Hitt St, just south of Broadway.

**14 September Monday 7 pm Members Meeting** Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd, Columbia.

**17 October: Chestnut Festival is back! New Franklin, 10 – 4.** We have applied for a space and plan to set up our booth.



## Ideas for Meeting Programs? Send them to Nadia

Please send any ideas for future meeting presentations to  
Nadia at [navarrete-tindalln@lincolnu.edu](mailto: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 id, botanical art, native edibles, photography, mosses, tree id, the choice is yours.



**Dues are due: This announcement will be in the July PP. For those getting your Petal Pusher by US Mail, you will need to send an additional \$5 to cover the cost of printing and mailing. Your paper chapter newsletter will continue without additional cost to you.**

This is the 30<sup>th</sup> year Hawthorn has supplied a newsletter to chapter members. Thanks to Doug Miller for keeping the chapter website up to date. We would like to get announcements, impressions, species accounts, photos, poems, links to scientific articles or other creative nature writing **from you, too.**

## Announcements

### Membership Meeting

Submitted by Boyd E. Terry, Secretary

The meeting was convened Mon 11 May 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Unitarian Church venue. Jack Harris- new member from St. Louis chapter, Gail Plemmons and Brian Page members new to us. Twelve total attendance.

Nadia Navarete-Tindall provided the program--Useful Vines of Missouri.

Nadia discussed several vines, their structure and function in the environment. Honeyvine (milkweed family), Virginia Creeper, Native Climatis, Grapes, Morning Glory, wild fuzzy bean, a Nitrogen fixer; Ground nut (edible potatoes-Nitrogen fixer); Pipevine; Virginia Snakeroot; Climbing milkweed; Small passion flower and Passion flower with large egg sized fruits and pretty flower; wild yam; Leather flower - climatis; Honeysuckle; trumpet honeysuckle; Bittersweet, American; Trumpet Creeper; Supple Jack.

Business session: Treasury report \$12,384 up \$1450

Calendar: May 16 Bass Pro plant sale: help needed to set up at 9am and load up at 2; Orchid trip uncertain-email Becky, if interested for her response. June 26-28 State NPS Field trip: July meeting Mon 13, 7 pm: Sept 14, 7 pm; Nov 9, 6 pm possibly at Columbia Public Library. Lunches at RagTag: 21 May, 18 June, 16 July

June 13 2:00 pm MPF will hold Dedication of a prairie in Lawrence Co as a memorial for Linden Trial.

[www.moprairie.org](http://www.moprairie.org) for info.

New Wild Ones chapter website thru Wild-Ones National link.

Need seed collectors for Bonnie View-Audubon project to renew prairie.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

### Bass Pro Plant Sale

The weather produced a bit of rain, but we were under cover of the large canopy in front of Bass Pro on the north side of Columbia. Customers came by at a steady pace; one of our CPS grantees picked up a large order of plants for the West School courtyard. We also donated two trays to a new nfp wetland garden in Independence. Carol Davit very kindly organized this activity through Grow Native. We collected \$774 and paid GN 15% for advertising.



**Don't miss  
Ann Wakeman's  
article on  
Indian Paintbrush  
in the upcoming  
Petal Pusher!**

### Reminders from the last State meeting report:

If you get your Petal Pusher by snail mail. The July edition will be your last one UNLESS you pay your dues and add the required \$5 charge for paper Petal Pushers. MONPS web site is now functional. [www.monativeplantsociety.org](http://www.monativeplantsociety.org) Members can renew and new members can use PayPal to pay dues online.

**There is a need for Social Media Coordinator to keep posting and events up to date on the Facebook pages as well as the Web site.** This will be a new position on the BoD as well as coordinating positions in each chapter. Chapter reps can list favorite places for hiking on the site as well as links to these places, and chapter news.

**Smile.Amazon.com** program is working with 1/2% of sales donated to the Society. Please convey this revenue stream to chapter members.

### Register Your Garden For Monarchs

Sign up your garden as a Monarch Waystation with Monarch Watch. Then Join WildOnes [native landscaping] and register your garden for a beautiful sign.

### Lunch at RagTag Thurs 18 June

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.

### LINK UP!!

Excellent first stop for regional resources and links to other natural history blogs.

Nadia's Yard: a blog by Randy Tindall

<http://nadiasyard.com/>

MONPS website

[www.monativeplantsociety.org](http://www.monativeplantsociety.org)

Link up with Jenks Farmer: <http://jenksfarmer.com/>

Bush honeysuckle removal – contact Eric Bohle

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Natural Events at Chert Hollow Farm: An archive of monthly natural events posts going back to 2011 is indexed here:

<http://cherthollowfarm.com/landscape/>

Wren Song

<http://www.ecosystemgardening.com/wren-song/>

Insect conservation: Xerces Society [www.xerces.org](http://www.xerces.org)

Plant identification: USDA plant database <http://plants.usda.gov>

Grow Native resources: [www.grownative.com](http://www.grownative.com)



## New Parks and School Connection

*Text and photos submitted by Lea Langdon*

This spring the students at Fairview Elementary began a new partnership with Columbia Parks and Recreation Dept. as they did some service learning in the neighboring Fairview Park and Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary.



Brian Earls' 5<sup>th</sup> graders worked hard at pulling and removing bush honeysuckle, after a quick education about invasive plants and honeysuckle in particular. They made a huge difference in the large area between Fairview Road and the woodland area of the park, where the honeysuckle started out as a waist high field, and is now gone. Meanwhile, the city's volunteer Treekeepers worked on clearing honeysuckle in the woods, opening up the trail that had been nearly obliterated by big bushes left to grow for many years. Treekeepers also provided a large truck that the students completely filled up with honeysuckle. When Mr. Earls asked the students when they wanted to do it again, they yelled, "tomorrow!" Brian is thinking of repeating this, and I know that he could do it without my help. It is so exciting to plant a seed in a new person and to watch the energy and enthusiasm grow.

The next week, Ragan Webb's 4<sup>th</sup> graders and their 1<sup>st</sup> grade buddies went out to the nature sanctuary and did some planting in the area near the shelter where several of us are working on recreating a very small prairie and a tiny glade area. Mike Trial had offered to



buy some plants from Hawthorn Chapter for the students to plant, and Lea, Becky and Ann shared some as well.

We broke into 3 groups: one group explored what there was to see in the old weed field that we are working on. A second group saw photos of healthy prairies and glades, and learned what is to come. The third group helped clear and then planted native glade plants in the area with large limestone rocks. The groups then rotated, so that everyone got a chance to do all three activities.



Connecting students to local parks with service learning opportunities like these is a great way to ensure that they understand that parks and natural spaces need care, and to empower them to know that they can make a difference in their community. I hope to see this kind of partnership continues and grows to involve even more students.



## The Bass Pro Butterfly Pupa Emerged!

*Text and photos submitted by Paula Peters*



[Ed note: While we were at BassPro sale, we noticed a butterfly pupa on one of the potted *Liatris* plants. Paula set it aside to take home.]

Here are pictures of

the Bass Pro pupa and the butterfly that emerged from it. It is indeed a Silvery Checkerspot - probably a male. Last picture is of the butterfly ready to launch. It is now sitting outside basking in the sun.



Although it was on a *Liatris*, their normal food plants are *Echinacea*, *Rudbeckias*, and some *Sunflowers*. I have seen the larvae in my yard on *Heliopsis* (*Ox-eyed Sunflower*) and *Echinacea* (*Purple Coneflower*). That's about all I know. I never saw one until I planted *Coneflowers*. When I



saw them flying around, I was sure they were eating something in the yard, but it took me a long time to find out what. If you disturb the plant they quickly fall to the ground.

## 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

\_\_\_ Paper postal service (\$5)

\_\_\_ 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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