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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.

2 May Sat: Walk on 35 wild acres in Columbia hosted by Suzan Forte' and Barbara Wren. Meet at her home 627 Bluffdale Drive. 1 pm for a concert and poetry. 2:30 for the nature walk on mowed paths. For detailed information email stjohn5@centurylink.net.

11 May Monday 7 pm Members Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd, Columbia. Nadia will speak about native vines, their beauty, their part in our ecology, their attraction to pollinators. Pipevines will be available for purchase.

10 or 14 May; Possible mosey to find orchids in Callaway Co. depending on weather. Call Ann if interested 573-220-6167

16 May Plant Sale at Bass Pro, 10 to 2 Set up at 9am. Columbia [US 63 north, exit Vandiver] Several other GN vendors will attend. GN will advertise. PLEASE call Becky 657-2314 to volunteer.

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



Ideas for Meeting Programs? 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 id, botanical art, native edibles, photography, mosses, tree id, the choice is yours. News from Stateside Quarterly Board Meetings & Field trips, April 10-13, 2015



Randall Clark's 30th Year to Offer Wildflower Walks

6 May and 13 May Thursdays 5:30 pm, Randall Clark Spring wildflower walks. Meet at Devil's Icebox Parking in RBSP on old 63 Hwy [163] south of Columbia. Learn native flower identification and folklore.

This is the 30th 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

News from Stateside

Quarterly Board Meetings & Field trips, April 10-13, 2015
submitted by Ann Wakeman Chapter Representative
Field trips to Wa-Kahn-Ta Prairie and Schwartz Prairie were on Saturday. Since our spring was below normal temperatures, there was only little growth on either unburned or burned sections. We did see some flowers on prairie violets, indian paintbrush, wood betony and buttercup. Seed pods were on prairie trout-lily or dogtooth violet. In a small prairie stream in Schwartz prairie I saw, new to me, water starwort.



Stream at Schwartz Prairie

AW photo

Most of the other attendees were on hands and knees looking for Geocarpon, a tiny glade species that is Federally listed. 537 individual plants were found.

The Sunday morning field trip was to see Fenton Glade on private property near Warsaw.

Meeting: Saturday evening President Paul McKenzie brought the meeting to order at 7pm. Treasurer reported the Society is in good shape financially and there is enough in the checking account to fund the Hudson scholarship without getting into the CDs.

- Rex reported there are fewer than 200 for the Petal Pusher for bulk mailing. Three volunteers have offered to distribute the paper copies. It was agreed that the final free paper Petal Pusher would be sent with the July edition. To be able to receive a paper PP members must send in an extra \$5.
- The Society's Facebook page has 2,900 members, with traffic increasing. John O reviews all requests to join.
- The Society's website isn't as up to date as the FaceBook page. Dana suggested paying someone a nominal fee to keep postings up to date. She will contact who they use for this.
- George stated there will be a Missouriensis out before summer.



Since the December board meeting, Ann reported there are 28 new members, with 3 life members, one being Mervin Wallace. to PayPal is now being used for members pay dues online, though Ann Early stated there have been some problems with PayPal's reporting payments. She will also let chapters know when new members join.

- Emily reported the wildflower poster has been sent to the printers.
- Upcoming workshops, Nels Holmberg and Rick Gray will offer a spring wildflowers workshop and field trip April 21 and 25.

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 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.



Be Prepared For Monarchs

Start thinking about where you can add nectar plants and caterpillar nursery plants for monarchs. Get your plants from your own chapter nursery at one of these sales or call Becky for an appointment. 657-2314



SPRING PLANT SALES

I will appreciate some volunteers stepping up to help me clean up and tag plants, then load the trailer Friday 15 May. beckyerick711@centurylink.net and 657-2314.

Bass Pro 16 May 10 - 2

This is a new sale organized by Carol Davit [MPF and GN]. Because it looks like we will be slow to shake off the arctic chill, our Bradford sale will not have the quality of plants usually available. This new sale in May will afford us the luxury of having lush, healthy-looking plants for sale for our grant fund. I realize this will be the third effort this spring, but I imagine it will be our best opportunity. **Will definitely need help with setting up at before 9 am and loading after 2 pm.** Call Becky 657-2314.

Bradford Farm Sale

The day really could not have been better. We lucked out having a window of warm sun between many days of overcast and cold rain. People flocked to buy. We took in just over \$1400. Thanks to John, Louise, Nancy, John, Janice, Patrice, Chris, Vanessa and some other folks who wrote hundreds of plant tags.

Nancy helps a customer choose a plant *VM photo*



Earth Day Booth

The day started a bit ominous with lingering sprinkles and a cold wind. The crowd was sparse until late afternoon when the sun and weather warmed a bit. Lea, Ann, Louise, Nancy, John, Becky, Patrice, Vanessa all made the set-up attractive and kept people informed. But Janice was the star with her sales ability. On the final count our treasurer, John, gave the tally at \$517. This amount is above all previous amounts that John could research.



Nancy, Paula and Louise arrange plants and pamphlets
VM photo

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

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

Bush honeysuckle removal – contact Eric Bohle

ebohle4@gmail.com

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

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

Grow Native resources: www.grownative.com

Lunch at RagTag Thurs 21 May

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.

The April Lunch attracted 9 Members. We all received announcements of new projects in the works which YOU could be part of. We need your good ideas and your assistance with all future projects and activities. Please attend the next Members Meeting 11 May and the next Lunch 21 May.

Reflections

[anonymous]

Monday-morning snow

melted

into water puddles

dripped

off eaves and into more puddles

caught

the turquoise sky and the crystal sun-dog.

Sheepy gray

drifted through the

mirrors only

to be blown and rippled away by a

warmer breeze which

sang

through the bare string-branches of the

lonely willow

by the dancing, catch-me stream.

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.**
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. Dues are Due NOW!

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Address _____

Phone: Evening _____

Day or Cell _____

Email: _____

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