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poems, links to scientific
articles or other creative
nature writing from you, too.

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Future Activities Calendar

1 Dec Saturday 11am at the Guitar Mansion our WINTER HOLIDAY PARTY. See more details inside.

4 December Monday 6pm Members Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd, Columbia. This is a make-up meeting for the one snowed out on 12 November. <u>Notice Daylight Saving is rolled back to Central Sun Time</u> so our meeting is at 6. We will get a briefing from one of the teachers who received a grant from us.

This is also an important meeting to decide on Newsletter content and meeting time. Please make it proprietary to come to discuss these issues. PLEASE read attached minutes from 10 Sept

20 December Thursday 11:30 Lunch at RagTag. 10 Hitt St, just south of Broadway. Take a break from shopping to join us for a nutritious lunch. Bring management questions and seeds for exchange.

14 January Monday 6pm Members Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd, Columbia. Traditionally this is our planning meeting for the next year. If you have any requests for mosey destinations or workshop topics you are welcome to voice those at this time.

17 Jan Thurs 11:30 Lunch at RagTag. 10 Hitt St, just south of Broadway.

Membership Dues are Due

June is renewal month. If you have been active more than a year, your \$16 needs to be sent in Now. If you are tired of remembering if-and-when you need to pay, you might consider a life membership [\$200 for state and \$120 for chapter]. If you joined since January, there is no need to renew this year. There will be no more of these reminders until next June. Print the handy form on the last page; note - mail check to Paula.

If you want your state Petal Pusher mailed to you on paper it will cost an additional \$10.

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This is the $33^{\rm rd}$ year Hawthorn has supplied a newsletter to chapter members. Thanks to Doug Miller for keeping the chapter website up to date. Thanks to Paula who sent information.

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From the Editor

If this chapter newsletter seems sparse it is because none of the members sent a submission. The chapter members rely on each other to share a myriad of information: links to book reviews and scientific articles with cites, original and shared poems with cite, personal stories of experiences in nature, photos to illustrate any of these submissions. We are all educated people who can write a series of sentences to form a paragraph and then two paragraphs. If you enjoy reading the thoughts of others it is best to submit your own thoughts, ideas, opinions, artistic creations.

Your input is important to all of us.



Announcements

Holiday Party — Saturday, December 1st

Elena Vega has graciously offered to host our holiday party on Sat., December 1st. We will gather for a potluck lunch at 11:00 am. Elena will prepare a ham. Please bring a dish that will work well with ham.

The party will be held at Elena's home, the Guitar Mansion, at 2815 N. Oakland Gravel Rd. This is an 1850-60's historic home. Elena will be happy to give tours to interested members. If the weather co-operates, we will tour the gardens and observe the work in progress. Elena is eager to get suggestions from our group.

To get to 2815 N. Oakland Gravel Rd, take
Oakland Gravel north off of Vandiver. Go past Holly,
Barnett, and Thomas — all on the left. The Guitar Mansion
will be next, on the left. Turn at the gate posts and go up
the long drive. If you get to Oakland Park, you have gone
too far.

If you get lost call Paula at 573-881-4225.

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Minutes from the last meeting are on the second attachment to this email. PLEASE READ THE MINUTES FROM 10 SEPTEMBER so they can be approved or amended at the 4 December Meeting.

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Lunch at RagTag Thurs 20 Dec

Meet our group 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.

True Native Plants for Wildlife

It cannot be said more strongly from all evidence that our bird and insect numbers have declined by close to 50% because of declines in native plant landscape numbers and diversity. It is up to us to rehab more of our turf laws to a diverse mix of native plants. Please corroborate with members of your chapter to ask about the correct sources of native plants. Please purchase true native plants from local native plant nurseries – not Nativars from the big box stores. Your Hawthorn chapter has a native nursery.

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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.

LINK UP!!

I finally got onto the Biota of North America. The distribution maps are fascinating!

http://www.bonap.org/

I realize I'm the last to discover a good thing, but I'll post this for all who are one step behind me. iNaturalist is a world-wide site used by 300G people who have made 10M observations.

Have a great time exploring! https://www.inaturalist.org/

Nadia's Yard: a blog by Randy Tindall http://nadiasyard.com/

MONPS website www.monativeplantsociety.org

Bush honeysuckle removal – contact Eric Bohle ebohle4@gmail.com

Wren Song

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

Insect conservation: Xerces Society www.xerces.org

https://xerces.org/bringbackthepollinators/

https://xerces.org/2018/04/19/tropical-milkweed-a-no-grow/
https://xerces.org/2018/04/04/rain-gardens-are-a-win-win/

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

Grow Native resources:

www.grownative.com



The MDC calendar was

offered 3 weeks ago at a reduced price. If you ordered some from Louise, be sure to make arrangements to pick them up at an activity in December.

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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(circle preference) Email Regular mail
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