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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.

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

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

19 May Saturday: 10am to 2 pm Booth and plant sale at BassPro. Please volunteer to work. We will set up about 9am and load from 2-3. We will be selling to a 'feeding frenzy' from 10 to 2. Please contact Paula or Becky to volunteer to help us.

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

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



Ideas for Meeting Programs? Send them to Gail

Please send any ideas for future meeting presentations to
Gail at gailplemmons@hotmail.com

Suggestions for presentation subjects from the meeting included: insect pollinators, mushrooms, secondary uses of native plants 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. If there is no program, it is because you didn't ask for a topic or ask a person you network with.



This is the 33rd 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

Change Of Chapter Newsletter Editor

Vanessa did the best job ever with the chapter newsletter for 3 years. She has had overwhelming family challenges this winter so I volunteered to step in for her superior effort.

In the future all submissions for our chapter newsletter such as species accounts, your garden happenings, your impressions from excursions, and your announcements need to be sent to me.

beckyerick711@centurylink.net When you do send me info I will forward it to the chapter members, and if it is an interesting link or article I will post it in the next chapter newsletter.

So sorry my format is not as modern as Vanessa's was. I don't know how to use a different program. Honestly, if anyone has the skill and desire to continue creating and sending a monthly newsletter and announcements as necessary, I would be glad to surrender this little responsibility. It is not difficult, but it is constant.



Earth Day Festival

We all arrived at the festival early because parking availability was sparse. All the people who brought large loads – John with the booth parts, Louise with the books and pamphlets, and Becky with the plants – found spaces right behind the booth. Yea!

The day was chilly and some rain spit occasionally, but the street filled with people from noon to about 3:30. We were constantly busy at that time. Chris and Cindy came mid-day and stayed to help load. We all really appreciated the membership attendance who helped to educate the visitors' questions. Becky mentioned at the end of the day that half of the plants she brought had been chosen for new homes. Paula noted many books were sold. We brought in almost twice the money we made at Earth Day in past years.



Lunch at RagTag Thurs 17 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.



Plant Sale at BassPro

The next plant sale will be 19 May from 10 to 2 at BassPro. Grow Native and Merv will be advertising on the radio [KBIA 91.3] and in the Tribune so the sale will be well attended. Some of us will be printing and posting flyers. Some of us will post the flyer on Facebook. Contact Becky if you want the electronic Flyer to help the advertising effort.

Only a few of us will actually work in the booth. Those few would really appreciate a few more members to step up to help. If you can interpret habitat descriptions from a visitor and suggest plants in the inventory, that would be a big help. If you can supply mussel power to set up at 9 and load after 2, that would be help, too.



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!!

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

<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



Election at May Meeting

Hawthorn has been without an official secretary for nearly 2 years. Becky has volunteered to take that position. According to the bylaws we need to have an election. Anyone of the membership can come to the meeting to vote or if a member cannot vote s/he may send a vote to an officer posted on the masthead at least 24 hours before the meeting.

We also need a president. The job is not difficult. Just hold loose order over meetings and delegate jobs to others. We need a name on the masthead. Anyone with any interest in the stability of our chapter may volunteer.



Remember Your Chapter Nursery

When you go out to find new nectar plants for pollinators, remember your chapter has its own nursery. All the money you spend there goes back to the educational grant fund to help CPS teachers enlighten students to all aspects of nature.

Becky has 20 years of experience growing natives. She has about 40 common species and a few uncommon species of flowering forbs and a few small trees potted up for your garden. There are way too many to bring them all to a sale. No, she has no catalog nor list. Come to experience the land and learn about available potted plants.

If you have never been to Becky's house east of Ashland, you must contact her by email to get directions to her house; mapquest hasn't found it by address yet. And you need to coordinate a time for a visit = make an appointment.

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It is awaiting your reports from wild areas, interesting events in your gardens, your plant species accounts, your photos, your poetry, your essays, your editorials, some wonderful program you heard on PBS or NPR, a book you read.

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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___ 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.

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