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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.** We will no longer offer planned tours of local wild areas. Occasionally one will be posted on the calendar. Otherwise, only interested members will be contacted by email a few days in advance of a mosey activity. As stated above, 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 location.

Weekly walks - See Spring Unfold

The 32nd annual, led by Randal Clark!

Every Thursday from 5:30-7:30pm March 27 through May 15

Meet at Devil's Icebox parking lot in Rock Bridge State Park. Reservations are not required.

May

4 Sunday Earth Day Booth in Columbia was re scheduled due to weather. Contact Becky **ASAP** for volunteering time beckyerick711@centurylink.net phone 657-2314

2-4 Friday thru Sunday State Fieldtrip to wild areas around Potosi.

Look for details in Petal Pusher and on the MONPS Facebook page.

10 May Saturday Mosey and pot luck (or possibly another date, depending on the celandine poppy blooms) gathering at Becky's place and a walk into Baskett Area starting at 10 am; potluck lunch on the deck about 1 pm. Also buy plants you missed at the April sales. Contact Becky for directions beckyerick711@centurylink.net phone 657-2314.

12 Monday 7 PM Membership Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd.. Bill Ambrose will talk about glade restoration.

15 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.

June

13-15 Friday thru Sunday: State Meeting and field trips from Bethany MO

15 Saturday: Gather at Terry Boyd's for persimmon treats & see their 40 acres and 6 miles of trails thru various native habitats.

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Thanks to Denny Donnell for his submission. 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.

Our Wild Nature--35 a on the Hinkson

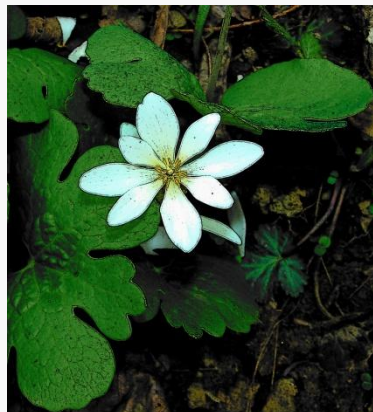
Submitted by Denny Donnell

Efforts are underway to preserve some 35 acres of riparian corridor along the Hinkson Creek lying west of old 63, north of Stadium, south of the end of Bluffdale, and east of the University of Missouri property. Leading the efforts are Sutu Forte, Barbara Wren and Mitzi St. John. These acres are now in a private estate trust and are threatened by two types of development. One would build apartments for some 400 occupants, all using Bluffdale as access. The other is the city bicycle trail calling for 12 foot wide concrete switchbacks requiring a lot of acreage and tree removal to meet ADA grade requirements. Sutu and friends are looking for creative ideas and considerable fiscal resources to protect these acres from development. See more at www.itsourwildnature.com.

On the afternoon of April 5, Denny and Martha Donnell walked the portion east of the full running Hinkson. We found a mowed path for city sewer inspection easement, lush with fescue, a stand of sycamore, oak, hickory and maple trees and some tangle of underbrush too early for us to identify. At the foot of the west facing bluff below old 63 we found a profusion of budding Trillium, one blooming Dutchman's Breeches, one Bloodroot in bloom, one budding Toothwort and the most extensive growth of Harbingers of Spring that we had ever seen. Among the 13 species of birds we saw barred owl and phoebe.

Sutu is very willing for interested people to access these acres by entering on foot, south of her home at 627 Bluffdale. (A trail along the creek through several backyards leads to the chat and fescue city easement. Her phone is 573-449-2955.)

Blue violet,
Bloodroot,
Bluebells.
photos by B Erickson



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15 May Thurs Lunch at RagTag

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.

Send Nadia Ideas for Meeting Presentations

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!*

Program 12 May Glade Restoration in the Ozarks

Submitted by *Nadia Navarrete-Tindall*
Native to Missouri, **Bill Ambrose**, a retired dentist and now a farmer and conservationist was awarded the **2010 Water Conservationist of the Year** by the Missouri Conservation Federation. He does conservation at his farm including glade restoration, seven so far. At present he is a Resource Professional for Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Department at Lincoln University, Cooperates with Missouri Conservation Department and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for Niangua Darter habitat. He is actively involved in Agriculture and Ecology on his 320 acre farm on Little Tavern Creek near St. Elizabeth in Miller County, Missouri. As a conservationist and farmer he grows corn, soybeans and hay and has cattle and harvest forest products. He has adopted a diversity of conservation practices including riparian buffers, terrestrial restorations, native plantings for forage and conservation, and water quality practices.

He will talk to us about his experience on glade restoration and the plant diversity that keeps showing year after year. He is passionate about conservation, especially about the positive impact of protecting his land on water quality of nearby creeks.



Butterfly weed

BE photo



Horseshoe Glade

B Ambrose photo

I have been aggressively clearing "cedar glades" and then broadcasting a diverse mix of wildflower and native grass seed for the past 12 years. I now have about 25 acres total restored in 3 locations on my 325 acre farm. I have kept some oaks on the northern and eastern perspectives with more of a savanna look.

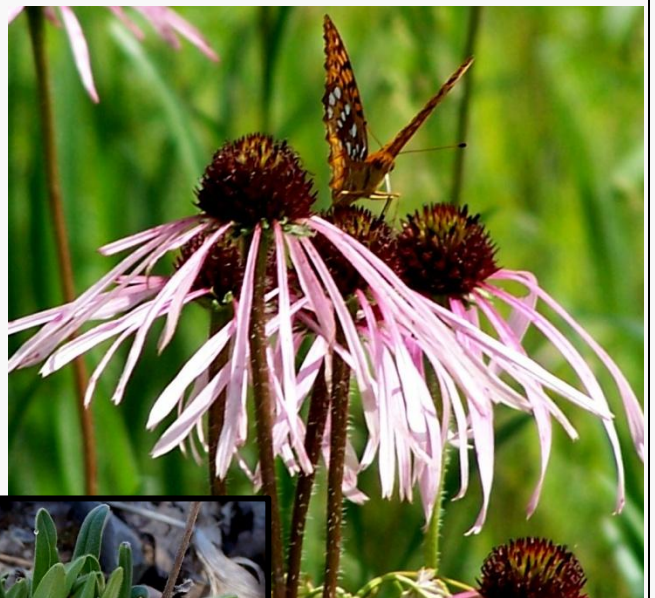
As a follow up to this presentation, Bill has invited the Native Plant Society members and others interested to visit his farm a weekend in June for a tour of the glades so one can see personally see glade native plant species and more.

Other glade plants

Echinacea

and

Pucoon



BE photos



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
 - State Lifetime (\$200)
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 - 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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