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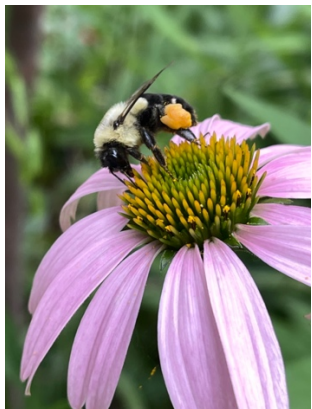
A Note from President Elena:

October has started with an incredible mosey to two of the prairies in the Sedalia area. The asters were putting on a beautiful show for us with white, blue and purple-pink asters and gentians blooming at [Friendly Prairie](#) and goldenrods were blooming at [Paint Brush Prairie](#). At the Paint Brush Prairie Conservation Area, we were able to locate and explore around the slightly raised round circular areas called '[mima mounds](#)' found on this prairie.

We hope you join us on some of our activities coming up this month.



Hawthorn Activities Calendar



This is the 39th year Hawthorn has supplied a newsletter to chapter members. All newsletters since 2008 are archived on our website.

<http://columbianativeplants.org>



Elena spotted monarchs & fritillaries on thistles in her back yard.

Our regular meeting time is the second Monday of the month at 6:00pm when we meet via Zoom and 6:30pm when we meet in person.

Social lunches are third Thursdays each month at 11:30am.

In September we switched our lunches back to First Watch at the corner of Worley and Stadium Boulevard. They have a nice variety of breakfast and lunch items on their menu. We hope to see you there. Please join us!

See the schedule below for all the wonderful moseys and other activities we have planned for October and November. We hope you can join us for one or all of them.

October 12 Saturday: Tour the Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom at the Columbia Early Learning Center North: 1:00pm - 2:00pm 2191 East Smiley Lane

October 14 Monday: 6:00pm Hawthorn Chapter Meeting. Celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day with Native foods potluck! 2815 North Oakland Gravel Road, Columbia

October 17 Thursday: 11:30am First Watch. 421 N. Stadium Blvd, Columbia

October 19 Saturday: 9am - 5pm Annual Ozark Chinquapin Public Meeting. Thousand Hills Resort Hotel in Branson, MO. Contact the Ozark Chinquapin Foundation by email at ozarkchinquapininfo@gmail.com or register directly at their website: <https://ozarkchinquapinmembership.org/>

October 25 Friday: 8:30am - 10:30am Hawthorn Adopt-A-Spot Cleanup at the corner of Providence & Nifong. Contact Cindy at cysquire@me.com or 573-289-8014 (feel free to call or text Cindy for more details).

November (No Hawthorn business meeting this month)

November 21 Thursday: 11:30am Hawthorn Lunch at First Watch

November TBD Mosey contingent upon weather. Watch for emails.

December TBD: Wreath making workshop at Lincoln University (usually the first week of December, please watch for email updates).

December 9 Monday: Hawthorn Zoom Meeting with lecture by Nadia: *Native Plants Through the Seasons* & Officer Elections for President & Secretary

December 19 Thursday: 11:30am Hawthorn Lunch at First Watch

Learning and Sharing Through Volunteering

Cindy, Hawthorn members and other volunteers will be working from 8:30am - 10:30am on Friday morning October 25. Contact Cindy cysquire@me.com to learn more about volunteering at our Hawthorn Adopt-A-Spot at the recycle lot north of Planet Fitness on South Providence.

Lea and fellow volunteers will be at Columbia Early Learning North (CELN) at 2191 East Smiley Lane on alternating Tuesday mornings from 8:00am - 10:00am. We will be weeding the native areas of their Nature Explore Outdoors Classroom, which is a huge area, partly garden-like and partly prairie-like. Come see the glory of it all and participate in its care. There are often seedlings to take home if you would like. Contact Lea at leaslist@gmail.com or text 573-864-7647 with any questions.

You are invited to tour the Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom at the Columbia Early Learning Center North:

October 12 Saturday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm 2191 East Smiley Lane. This is a playground/outdoor classroom for preschoolers who have little connection to native plants and the insects and birds they attract. Lea will give you the background of the history of the native plantings, meetings, seeding, plants and construction. Cindy will discuss native plant maintenance through the seasons and planting care.

If you have questions or would like to join these activities, please contact Lea to be added to her email list to see extensive volunteer opportunities. Leaslist@gmail.com or text 573-864-7647



Paul Nelson's T-Shirt Design

The Missouri Native Plant Society Shirts are available for purchase to help our organization fund educational & planting grants.

Colors: Kelly green, purple, sport gray, sapphire, and crimson red. Sizes: small, medium, large, and extra large.

Short sleeve t-shirts: \$25.00

Long sleeve t-shirts: \$30.00

Sweatshirts: \$35.00

\$5.00 discount to all members.

Please contact Jayne Young at youngjayne70@gmail.com or 573-228-2024 to order, deliver payment and pickup shirts from Jayne.



Note of Appreciation

A big thank you to all our members who helped at the GN! Bass Pro Plant Sale in September. Thank you also to Becky for raising the beautiful plants and to Carol Leigh for organizing all books & t-shirts & bringing them to the sale to make this event such a great success for our organization!