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Future Activities

Oct 12: Schwartz Prairie in St. Clair Co. – rescheduled Depart MDC Research Center at 8 am. We will stop for lunch on the way home. You must call Paula 573-474-4225 or Becky 573-657-2314, if you intend to go.

Oct 16: Lunch with Native Plant Enthusiasts! 11:30 am at Felini's, 700 E. Broadway. All are invited.

October 18: Chestnut Festival at HARC [the University of MO Horticulture and Agroforestry Research Center], New Franklin, MO. 10 am to 4 pm. Please plan to help with our booth; call Paula to sign up 474-4225.

October 25: Fall Foliage Hike – Three Creeks. Meet at the MDC parking lot on College Ave. at 10:00 am to carpool. We will go to the Winery in Holt's Summit afterwards. You must call Paula or Becky if you intend to go.

November 10: Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Unitarian Church, 2615 Shepard Blvd. Our speaker will be Chris Starbuck. He will discuss his research growing bare root plants in gravel. He finds them easily transplantable with a high rate of survival.

November 15: Wreath Workshop and Cook out at the Ellifrits on Cedar Creek. The Wreath Workshop will start at 10:00 am. We will start cooking food at 1:00 pm and plan to eat at 3:00 pm. Watch for details in the November newsletter.

December 6: State Board Meeting in Columbia. All are welcome to attend.

December ?: Holiday Party at Nancy Langworthy's home.

For more information contact Paula at 573-474-4225.

Trip to Schwartz Prairie Rescheduled

The field trip committee thought you might have been afraid of the possibility of rain the day we had scheduled the trip in June so the committee has rescheduled your opportunity to see Schwartz Prairie this fall. So many people go great distances to see fall tree foliage when they have never gone around the corner to see the native grasslands dressed up in the kaleidoscope of autumn colors. It can be breathtaking! Schwartz is known for its high diversity of species. Please make reservations for the carpool and join us for a memorable day trip on 12 October.

Great Time at the EcoArtFest

Submitted by Vanessa Melton

On Saturday, September 6th we had several folks come out to man the Hawthorn Chapter booth at the EcoArtFest located at Cooper's Landing. Wanda Parscal kept track of the books we sell, Becky Erickson, Jim Whitely, Nancy Langworthy, and Janice Bryant helped with answering questions and the plant sale, Nancy and George Brakhage were there helping with set up and take down of the booth and also brought plants to sell, Jean Graebner and Laura Ellifrit were also there to help out, and I was there to learn more from the experienced folks about how to explain the benefits of native plants. We managed to bring in \$222.00 from plant and book sales – not bad for an afternoon of fun! The weather couldn't have been better and the sunset on the river was fantastic. The Thai and BBQ were yummy and the music was entertaining. All in all a great day!

**October 16:
Lunch with Native Plant Enthusiasts!
11:30 am at Felini's,
700 E. Broadway.**

**We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the
month.**

All are invited; please join us.



B. Erickson
Janice Bryan talks to a visitor while Wanda, Jean, Jim and Vanessa enjoy a visit from a member of the River Relief Booth next door.



V. Melton
Janice and Nancy inventory plants for sale at the ECOART Fest

**November 15:
Wreath Workshop and Cook-out
at the Ellifrits**

Chestnut Festival

You are cordially invited to attend this event that will introduce the public to Missouri-grown chestnuts, pecans and black walnuts; Missouri wineries; Missouri value-added product producers; and will showcase the beauty of the Horticulture and Agroforestry Research Center and the Missouri River Hills.

The day's activities will center around the farm's Thomas Hickman House. The house, built in 1819, is one of Missouri's oldest standing brick homes and was recently nominated to the National Register of Historic Places. The Hickman House and grounds are under restoration to reflect the era in which it was built. **All activities will take place under tents for comfort rain or shine!**

Among the attractions available at the festival: Missouri chestnut, pecan and black walnut producer booths with free tasting samples, educational presentations and exhibits, musical entertainment by the Ironweed Bluegrass Band, children's activities, guided bus and walking tours of the chestnut orchards and agroforestry research areas at the Horticulture and Agroforestry Research Center, a chestnut roasting booth with free samples of fresh roasted chestnuts, value-added food producers will provide free tasting samples and products for sale, including Missouri wines, meats and nuts. Food concession stand will feature Missouri-produced grilled elk, buffalo, pork and beef products for sale.

6th Annual Missouri Chestnut Roast

Horticulture and Agroforestry Research Center
New Franklin, Missouri October 18, 2008 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Free Admission and Open to the Public Please visit www.centerforagroforestry.org for a list of all of the participating producers and exhibitors and driving directions. Assistance Dogs Allowed - No Pets For more information: contact Julie Rhoads at 573-882-3234 or email rhoadsj@missouri.edu

Hawthorn Chapter will have a booth at Chestnut Festival. This is an event that is very much fun. We connect with many people who have come from long distances so we would appreciate your assistance at the booth. Set up time on the HARC grounds in New Franklin is 9 am and we will break the booth down at 4.



**NPS booth at Chestnut Festival
(center) Roasted Chestnuts
(bottom) Cooking with Nuts**



Please Step Forward For Service

We need help with the booth when we attend fairs and field days.

Please contact one of the officers ready to volunteer a little time to a very good environmental and educational service.

___ Student (\$11.00)

___ Regular (\$16.00)

___ Contributing (\$26.00)

— Life (\$200.00)

Includes both Chapter and State dues.

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