



MISSOURI NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

JULY

Annual Awards Announced

Annual awards and statements of contributions for which they were received were announced at the June Annual Meeting. The actual presentation of the awards will be in separate ceremonies. Each award includes a beautiful wood plaque with a label on which is engraved the recipient's name, award, and statement of contribution.

All four MONPS awards were awarded this year. The went to Katherine Chambers, MONPS St. Louis Chapter. The Erna R. Eisendrath Memorial Education Award. For innumerable years of dedicated service in science education.

Tim Nigh, Missouri Dept. of Conservation. The Arthur Christ Research Award. For contributions to the conservation of natural biodiversity of Missouri.

Doug Ladd, The Nature Conservancy. Plant Stewardship Award. For active participation in the protection of threatened species and rare natural communities.

Clair L. Kucera, retired professor, University of Missouri at Columbia. The Julian A. Steyermark Award. For outstanding contribution regarding the ecosystems of Missouri prairies.

22	Wed., 7:30 p.m., St. Louis	"The Origins of North American Indian Agriculture," program by David Asch, director of the Campsville Archeological Center. Monthly Meeting at the Ridgway Center, Missouri Botanical Garden.
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AUGUST

10	Mon., 7 p.m., Columbia	"Wild Edibles," program by Ethel Hickey. Monthly Meeting at Farm and Home Savings and Loan.
26	Wed., 7:30 p.m., St. Louis	"Plants in Cahokia Culture," program by Neal Lopinot, archeologist for the U.S. Corps of Engineers. Monthly Meeting at the Ridgway Center, Missouri Botanical Garden.
27	Thur., 7:30 p.m., Springfield	"Tree Identification," program by DeWayne Parker. Preceded by a plant identification walk at 5:30 and a business meeting at 7:00 p.m. Monthly Meeting at the MDC Springfield Nature Center.

SEPTEMBER

11-13	Fri-Sun., Burr Oak Woods Nature Center	Board Meeting and joint meeting with the Kansas Wildflower Society. "Threshold of the Prairie Symposium" and field trips. See page 7 for details and reservation form to be returned by September 1.
26-27	Sat-Sun., Charleston, Illinois	Forests of the Prairie States Conference at Eastern Illinois University. See Article on page 2.

OCTOBER

27-30	Tues-Fri., Bloomington, Indiana	"Rediscovering America: Natural Areas in the 1990s," conference sponsored by the Natural Areas Association and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources' Division of Nature Preserves. See article on page 2.
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FORESTS OF THE PRAIRIE STATE CONFERENCE

"Forests of the Prairie State" will be the theme of the September 26 and 27 conference at the Eastern Illinois University at Charleston. The conference is sponsored by the Illinois Native Plant Society, the Botany Department of Eastern Illinois University, the Department of Forestry of the University of Illinois, the Illinois Council on Forestry Development, Grand Prairie Friends, and the Illinois Natural History Survey. Keynote addresses on Saturday, September 26, will be: "An overview of Illinois forest resources," by Dr. Louis Iverson of the Illinois Natural History Survey; "Fighting for survival: a plan for endangered plants," by Dr. Robert Mohlenbrock of the Southern Illinois University; and "Changes in floristic quality in a burned oak woodland," by Dr. Gerould Wilhelm and Ms. Linda Wetstein of the Morton Arboretum.

Twenty-eight additional talks are tentatively scheduled for Saturday including "Wildflowers of Illinois forests by Floyd Swink of the Morton Arboretum; "Stewardship of forested nature preserves," by Ms. Gretchen Bonfert of the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission; and "History of fire in Illinois," by William McClain of the Illinois Department of Conservation.

A pig roast is planned for Saturday evening and on Sunday, field trips led by area botanists to several types of forest in east-central Illinois will be scheduled. Cost of the conference is \$25-35, depending on membership status, plus \$7.50 for the pig roast. Deadline for registration is September 15. For registration form contact: Forest Conference, INPS, Forest Glen Preserve, R. R. #1, Box 495A, Westville, IL 61883.

NATURAL AREAS CONFERENCE

The 14th Annual Natural Areas Association Meeting will be held at Indiana University, Bloomington, on October 27-30. Theme for this year's conference will be: "Rediscovering America: Natural areas in the 1990s." The conference provides an opportunity for biologists, ecologists, natural resource managers, naturalists, and volunteers to come together and exchange ideas on protecting, preserving, and managing rare species and significant habitats. Participants will have a chance to interact with others through presented papers, posters, field trips, and workshops.

For information on registration contact: NAC Registration, Indiana University Conference Bureau, IMU Room 677, Bloomington, IN 47405, 812-855-6451.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

A new editor is needed for the *Petal Pusher*. The person should be willing to attend the four annual Board Meetings held at various locations around the state to collect the information needed to produce the newsletter. The editor is also a voting member of the Board of Directors.

Anyone interested in applying for the position, should contact MONPS president Karen Haller, 314-227-5693.

CATALOGUE JARGON

Allen Lacy explores the "peculiar language of catalogues, a dialect ruled by euphemism," in one of his regular New York Times columns (2/6/92). *Akebia quinata*, for example, "can easily be controlled by pruning" and is "vigorous," "trouble-free." The

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to long-time MONPS member Linda Ellis, whose article "Unexpected Beauty" and illustrations of the Missouri Evening Primrose recently appeared in *Wildflower* magazine.

Linda and her botanical illustrations were also recently featured in an article in the Kansas City Star newspaper.

Linda, who was formerly from Kansas City, now resides in St. Louis where she is working on illustrations for the revision of *Steysmark's Flora of Missouri* and new species illustrations at the Missouri Botanical Garden.

READSOURCES II NOW AVAILABLE

The New England Wild Flower Society has announced that *ReadSources II* is now available and that it will be the last one published, at least for the immediate future. *ReadSources II* is a 22-page list of citations for 50 books about various aspects of North American Wildflowers, 30 of these also are reviewed.

Readsources II can be ordered for \$2.00 from The New England Wild Flower Society, Garden in the Woods, 180 Hemenway Road, Framingham, MA 01701-2699. (*ReadSources I* is still available. If interested, inquire from NEWFS.)

reality these terms veil, Lacy Says, is that akebias can be highly invasive vines, "steam-roller plants." Tongue in cheek, he tries his hand at comparable descriptions of *Rhus radicans* ("trifoliate leaves are so glossy that they seem almost varnished") and *Stellaria media* ("a lifetime investment in beauty").



A Reading List for Native Plants of Missouri

Compiled by Sylvia Forbes

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THRESHHOLD OF THE PRAIRIE SYMPOSIUM

11-13 September 1992

First Joint Meeting

Kansas Wildflower Society and the Missouri Native Plant Society.

SPEAKERS

Craig Freeman, Acting Co-director and Assistant Scientist for the Kansas Biological Survey and co-author of *Roadside Wildflowers of the Southern Great Plains*.

Doug Ladd, Director of Science and Stewardship for the Missouri Chapter of The Nature Conservancy.

Richard H. Thom, Assistant Natural History Division Chief for the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Stephen Timme, Assistant Professor of Botany and Director of The Sperry Herbarium at Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, Kansas.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 11: No evening program planned.

Saturday, September 12

8:30 a.m. Registration and coffee at Burr Oak Woods Nature Center.

9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Speakers.

Lunch: on your own.

2-5:00 p.m. Butterfly-plant field trip at Burr Oak Woods, led by Richard and Joan Heitzman, authors of *Butterflies and Moths of Missouri*.

7:30 p.m. Banquet at area restaurant, details to be announced.

Sunday, September 13

8-11:00 a.m. Board meeting at Burr Oak Woods.

Field trip to Powell Gardens: time and details to be announced.

Map, Information on Accommodations,
and Registration Form on Back

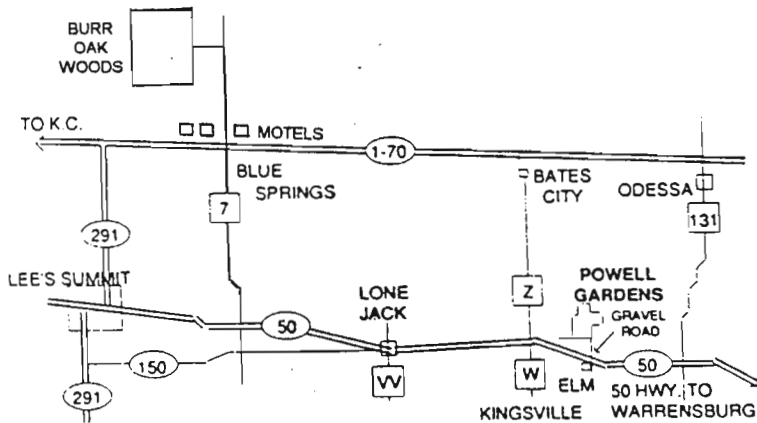
ACCOMODATIONS:

Interstate Motel at I-70 and Woods Chapel Road. Prices start at \$25. Call 816-229-6311.

American Motel at I-70 and Woods Chapel Road. Single at \$27.95, double at \$34.00. Call 816-228-1080. (Woods Chapel Road is one exit west of Highway 7 and about 10 minutes from Burr Oak Woods.)

Best Western Blue Springs Inn at I-70 and Highway 7. Local phone is 239-6363 or call 1-800-528-1234.

A Howard Johnson's and a Red Roof Inn are located on Noland Road in Independence about 15 minutes from Burr Oak.



There is no charge for Saturday's Symposium or Sunday's trip to Powell Gardens. Details of the banquet will be announced. If you plan to attend, please return the following reservation form by 1 September 1992 to Linda S. Ellis, 4559 Morganford Road, Apt. #3, St. Louis, MO 63116-1551. If your plans change, please notify Linda by mail or at 314-353-1449.

I plan to attend "Threshold of the Prairie"
Symposium _____ Number in party _____
Banquet _____ Number in party _____
Sunday trip _____ Number in party _____
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CHAPTER REPORTS

Kansas City Chapter Report *by Daniel Rice*

The Kansas City Chapter's first field trip was to Paintbrush Prairie in Pettis County. Living up to its name, Indian Paintbrush was everywhere. Other natives in bloom were Lousewort, Larkspur, Trillium, Blue-Eyed Mary, and Mertensia. Also spotted was a speckled king snake. A side trip to High Lonesome Prairie yielded a sight not often seen today: approximately 14 prairie chickens were viewed on the booming grounds there.

Two of our members have property in the vicinity of Paintbrush Prairie, and invited chapter members to visit while there. One is mainly in woodland and the other is in prairie. The prairie site has been continuously hayed for 97 to 98 years and was burned for the first time last year.

The April meeting was conducted by Daniel Rice. He displayed and discussed a few of his antique (pre-1900) fern books, ranging from field guides to Floras. One volume, describing the ferns of Wales, uses pressed specimens as the illustrations. Other volumes contain hand-colored plates, line drawings, and even a photograph from 1879.

We did very well during our annual plant sale at Powell Gardens May 2 and 3. Ten members volunteered their time to set up, man, and clean up our booth. Plants sold were from the Missouri Wildflower Nursery, and they were snapped up by festival attendees. In fact, all but about 12 were sold on Saturday. Tee-shirts, pins, donated seed from Richard Heitzman, and membership

information were also available at the booth. Altogether, we took in about \$350.00 for our treasury.

Saturday May 9, Mike Laird led a field trip to Cooley Lake Wildlife Area, north of Kansas City. Twenty people attended and were treated to seeing Puttyroot Orchid, Green Dragon, Jack-in-the-pulpit, various sedges and bullrushes, fruiting Goldenseal, and Woodland Blue-eyed-grass.

Mike also led a field trip on May 23 to Hillsdale Lake in Miami County, Kansas. Again, twenty people attended. They visited various spots around the lake (mostly prairies) and saw Prairie Phlox, Pale Comandra, Mead's Milkweed, Golden Alexanders, and Nuttall's Prairie Parsley.

June 27, Mike led an all-day field trip to the South Prairies near Nevada, Missouri. On the itinerary was a stop at Osage Prairie, with other stops at Buffalo Wallow and Gamma Grass Prairies. Our July field trip will be to the Prairie Center just west of Olathe, Kansas. This prairie has areas that are either remnant virgin or restored. In an attempt to keep the genetic material pure, the non-virgin portion is being restored by using the virgin portion as the seed source.

Ozark Showy Chapter Report *by Jody Eberly*

The Ozark Showy Chapter of the Missouri Native Plant Society had its third meeting at Tingler Lake Natural Area, located 5 miles south of West Plains. The joint meeting with the Grand Gulf Audubon assembled at the Area's parking lot for a field trip. The group of approximately 15 individuals enjoyed the hike along the path, viewing the

prairie restoration areas, the remnant wet-mesic prairie, and a 3-acre sinkhole pond. Both the upland area and the bottomland prairie provided numerous flowers to see and a variety of grassland birds to hear. The nature walk ended with a picnic lunch near Tingler Lake Sinkhole Pond.

The chapter is still reviewing by-laws and hopes to have them finalized by the September meeting. We are also discussing two possible projects which we would like to do—a native prairie planting under the "Welcome to Mountain View" sign on highway 60 and a native plant landscaping project at the proposed adult park in Mountain View. Our next meeting is set for September 14 at Greer Spring.

St. Louis Chapter Report *by Larry Morrison*

The St. Louis Chapter is alive and well. We have had excellent monthly meetings this quarter featuring such topics as "Savannas" by James Trager and "Tree Flowers of Missouri" by Dorothy Cole.

Late spring fieldtrips were taken to Hickory Canyon, Tucker Prairie, Clifty Creek, Schwartz Prairie, and Grasshopper Hollow. These were well attended and enjoyed by all.

Three slide shows have been developed by a committee of the St. Louis Chapter working with the Missouri Botanical Garden. The shows feature spring, summer, or fall wildflowers and come with a tray of slides and a narrative script with interesting items about each plant. These slide shows can be borrowed by contacting Pam Pirio at the Missouri Botanical Garden, 314-577-9501.

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