

Missouri Native Plant Society

September

- 9** Mon., 7:00 PM
Columbia **Co-evolution of Soils and Plants** presented by Dr. David Hammer, professor of soil genesis at MU. Chapter Meeting held at MDC's Research Center, 1110 S. College (NE corner of College & Stadium).
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- 13-15** Fri.-Sun. **Fall Board Meeting & Field Botany Trip.** See page 3 for details.
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- 19** Thur., 7:00 PM
Kansas City **Annual plant & seed exchange.** Program to be determined. Monthly meeting at the Discovery Center, 4750 Troost. **Note the change in night and location.**
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- 21-22** Sat.-Sun.
Columbia **Heritage Festival Booth.** We will have a booth and volunteers are needed to help.
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- 22** Sun., Noon
Kansas City **Field Botany Trip to Hidden Valley** to see lichens, ferns, and parasitic orchids. Meet at the park - take the Worlds of Fun exit off I-435, go west on Parvin Road to Bennington, south on Bennington to Russell, west to the parking lot. Bring water.
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- 25** Wed., 7:30 PM
St. Louis **Using Native Plants in Gardening** presented by Dave Tylka, professor at St. Louis Community College, Meramec. Dave will have copies of his new book, *Native Landscaping for Wildlife and People* available for sale (\$18.00) and will be happy to sign them. Chapter meeting at St. Louis MO Botanical Garden, Ridgway Bldg.

October

- 1** **Due date for material for November-December *Petal Pusher*.** Please send meeting and field trip information and articles (typed double-spaced) to the editor by this date. Send e-mail to: paharris@mac.com
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- 5** Sat., 9:00 AM
St. Louis **Field Botany Trip to Fults Hill Prairie** in Monroe Co. Illinois, led by Pat Grace and Larry Morrison. Meet at 9:00 AM at South County Center near the tire center or 10:00 AM at Fults Hill parking area. Bring lunch and water; wear sturdy shoes. Any questions, call Pat (314-961-2511) or Larry (618-624-5964).
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- 12** Sat., 10:00 AM
Columbia **Fall Foliage Hike to Painted Rock** and lunch in Westphalia. Meet at MDC on the NE corner of College & Stadium.
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- 13** Sun., Noon
Kansas City **Field Botany Trip to Maple Woods** to see sugar maples, persimmons, and Indian pipe. Meet at the park - take North Oak Trafficway to NE 76th Street, go east on NE 76th Street for about one mile, look for the (small) sign. Bring water.
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- 23** Wed., 7:30 PM
St. Louis **Annual Member's Night!** Bring up to ten of your favorite slides from the past year to share with other members. Chapter Meeting at MO Botanical Garden, Ridgway Bldg.

Quarterly Board Meeting Highlights

JUNE 8, 2002

President Jack Harris, 11 board members and 2 guests met at the WC Morris Hall, Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg, MO.

Treasurer's Report: Jack Harris distributed an interim report showing a balance of \$15,697.54 as of 6 June 2002.

The position of Vice President is still vacant.

Stan Hudson Memorial Fund: Tabled until some clarifications could be made.

State Parks/Wild Area Policy: After a report by Jack Harris, it was moved, seconded & carried (MSC) to send a letter to the Director of the Department of Natural Resources stating our support for managing native ecosystems using the best management practices and latest science.

Plant Restoration: Paul McKenzie reported that Janeen Laatsch, MDC Regional Biologist, SE MO, had called for help in transplanting some rare plants that would be destroyed on a SE Missouri sand prairie that is being developed as a Moto-cross Race Track. They were able to transplant several species to a sand prairie on private land. *Paspalum bifidum* (S1) and *Rhynchosia difformis* (S1) were two of the species that were salvaged.

In Columbia, MO at the West Blvd. exit, the Highway Department deposited 3 feet of soil on a site containing *Cyperus setigerus* (S1). Ann Wakeman and Paul McKenzie were able to transfer 12 large clumps of the *Cyperus* to Tucker Prairie (with permission).

Membership: Ann Earley reported that an announcement will go out to the membership reminding them that the dues are due 30 June, that they should stipulate if they do not want their name published in the *Petal Pusher* membership list, and that the dues should be sent to the PO Box.

By-laws update status: Discussed a few items that need to be considered: Electronic voting; Treasurer's duties/audit; Membership chair duties; and Awards Committee. Members should forward suggestions to the BoD or Sue Hollis, 816-561-9419 or ferngro@worldnet.att.net

North American Prairie Conference: MONPS donated several items (t-shirts, bandanas) for the silent auction. The proceeds will go to the Prairie Foundation.

Upcoming Conference

49th Annual Systematics Symposium

11 & 12 October 2002 – Missouri Botanical Garden

The Genetics of Conservation

For more information about the conference or to register, contact P. Mike Richardson, 314-577-5176 or mick.richardson@mobot.org

Master Naturalist Certificate

By Nels Holmberg

This fall MONPS will again sponsor a native plant workshop taught by Nels Holmberg at the St. Louis Community College at Meramec.

Workshop title: **Missouri Prairies: Ecology and Plants.** A study of the ecology, history and plant life of the prairie in Missouri.

Class date: Oct 8, 7-9:30 PM.

Field botany trips (all on Saturdays):

Oct 12, 9-12 PM Shaw Nature Reserve, Gray Summit

Oct 19, 9-12 PM Tucker Prairie, near Columbia

Oct 26, 12 NOON-6 PM Paint Brush, Friendly, and Grandfather Prairies on one big trip to Sedalia, Mo. [And for those who want more, we will stay overnight (not part of the class) to visit more on Sunday, Oct. 27, perhaps Drover's, Goodnight-Henry and Hite prairies.]

If you are interested in the Master Naturalist Certificate or a schedule of classes please call Continuing Education at 314-984-7777, or for more information call Vicki Flier at 314-968-9166.

Welcome to New Members

We're happy to welcome these new and returning members to the Missouri Native Plant Society. We hope you will join us soon at some of our upcoming meetings and field botany trips.

Kim Banner, Nixa
Kevin Bley, St. Louis
Sarah Bonham Houlihan, Gladstone
Penney Bush-Boyce, St. Louis
Elizabeth Copeland, Hillsboro
William Davit, Washington
Aleta Fairbanks, Parkville
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Monica Higgins, Linwood, KS
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Jim Rhodes, Glendale
Thomas Shultz, Jefferson City
Janet Svoboda, Kansas City
Laura Turnbull, Kansas City, KS
B. J. Washburn, Jefferson City



Fall 2002 Field Botany Trips & Board Meeting

SEPTEMBER 13-15 KAHOKA, MO

Join us on an excursion to a remote corner of the Eastern Section of the Glaciated Plains Natural Division. We will be

in search of unusual species that occur in the rare alluvium sand prairie landscape.

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- 13 Sept. Fri., 7:30 PM **Evening get-together.** Program to be determined, but just in case, bring 10 or so slides of UFOs (unidentified flowering objects) and we can all play stump the observer/name that plant. Held in the lobby of the Welcome Inn, Kahoka, MO.
- 14 Sept. Sat., 8:00 AM **Field Botany Trip.** Meet at the parking lot of the Welcome Inn, Kahoka, Missouri. Drive about 12 mi ENE to the **Steyermark Sand Prairie**, which is on Frost Island Conservation Area near St. Francisville, to view uncommon plants of Des Moines River sand deposits. Greg Gremaud, MDC Natural History Regional Biologist will show us the prairie and discuss management of the site.
- Sat., 10:00 AM Drive to **Illiniwek Village State Historic Site** which is just south of the Steyermark Sand Prairie. This site contains a degraded sand prairie along with a slough. It is the only site in Missouri for the smooth rose (*Rosa blanda*) (S1).
- Sat., 11:15 AM Drive into NW Lewis County to **Deer Ridge Conservation Area**. From intersection of Hwys. Y and H in Lewis Co., go about 2 mi. NW on Hwy Y. Turn right onto gravel road 355 and go about 0.6 mi. to road 330 on right. This road leads about 0.6 mi SE to a picnic area/campground on a lake where we will eat lunch. **(Please bring your own picnic lunch.)**
- Sat., 1:30 PM MDC Botanist Cindy Becker will lead us to a bottomland area on **Deer Ridge C.A.** to see rose turtlehead (*Chelone obliqua* var. *speciosa*) (S2) which should be in flower. Knee-high rubber boots recommended. They will make travelling more comfortable. There are also a variety of wetland obligate species in the vicinity of the *Chelone* populations for the curious, adventurous, and appreciative.
- Sat., 4:00 PM Return to Kahoka for dinner on your own and the Board Meeting at the motel at 6:30 PM.
- Sat., 6:30 PM **MONPS Fall Board Meeting.** Held in the lobby of the Welcome Inn, Kahoka, MO. All members and friends are welcome to attend the meeting.
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- 15 Sept. Sun. On your own. Local targets of opportunity will be suggested.

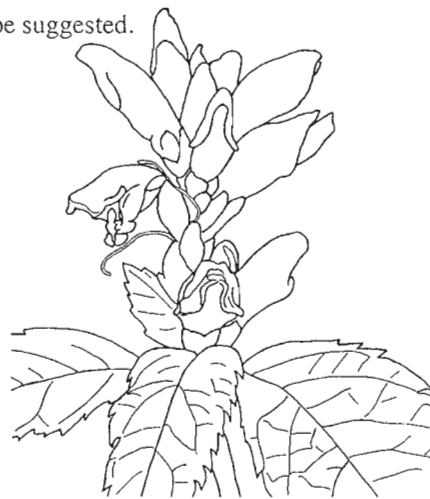
LODGING

Welcome Inn 660-727-3326

2 beds, 2 people \$43.00 + tax

This motel is located in Kahoka at the intersection of MO Hwy 136 and MO Hwy 81.

Note: Sue Hollis has reserved a room with two double beds. Since lodging is limited, she would be glad to share with someone else. Contact her at 816-561-9419 or ferngro@worldnet.att.net



INFORMATION ON JOINING MISSOURI NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

SOCIETY DUES

(Chapter dues additional)
 Student \$5.00
 Regular \$10.00
 Contributing \$20.00
 Life \$200.00

CHAPTER DUES

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