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Kate's Mountain Clover

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April 7 2018 Caring about Carex

A genus that terrifies many

The West Virginia Native Plant Society will hold its spring meeting April 7, 2018 at the Ohio River Islands National Wildlife Refuge headquarters near Williamstown in Wood County, West Virginia. The highlight will be a presentation on sedges from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, with emphasis on the genus *Carex* to be presented by Jim Vanderhorst, Vegetation Ecologist, Natural Heritage Program, West Virginia Division of Natural Resources. This genus has a reputation for difficulty because not only is it large, 135 species listed in the *Checklist and Atlas of the Vascular Flora of WV* with 55 of those on the rare list, but it also has a specialized morphological nomenclature. To complicate matters, the taxonomy is in flux. Jim works to identify, describe, and protect the natural forests, woodlands, and wetlands of West Virginia. He has co-authored publications on the flora of the New and Gauley Rivers and developed informative web pages describing various ecological habitats found in West Virginia: http://www.wvdnr.gov/wildlife/fact sheets/

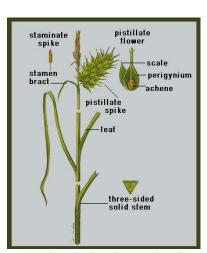


Image from the Canadian encyclopedia

Jim has offered to examine and identify specimens members bring to the meeting.

The Ohio River Island NWR headquarters is located off Exit 185 of I-77; follow St Rt. 14 into Williamstown, and turn right onto CR 1 and follow the brown refuge signs. The headquarters is about two miles out River Road on the left. For further information on the ORWLR visit:

https://www.fws.gov/uploadedFiles/OhioRiverGeneralBrochure2013.pdf

The board business meeting will at 10:00; all members are welcome to attend. Lunch at noon will be on your own, picnic facilities are available.

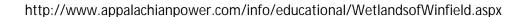
WV Native Plant Society Summer Field Trips

June 30-July 1, 2018

The West Virginia Native Plant Society will have a series of early Summer field trips to the Putman and Mason County area June 30-July 1, 2018. Locations we plan to visit include the Winfield wetlands, Eleanor city park, and Clifton F. McClintic Wildlife Management Area.

Saturday, June 30

Our first stop will be at the Winfield wetlands located just east of Winfield on SR 35. Meet at the parking lot for the Mary Ingles trail head at 9:30 a.m.. The entrance to the Winfield wetland is a short distance further east on the left. These wetlands contain a nice patch of button bush and swamp white oak. Appalachian Power owns these wetlands and maintains a website for them at:



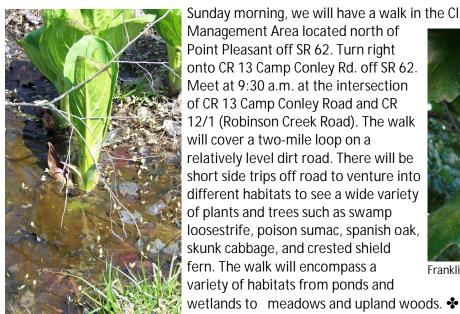


Button Bush



After lunch (all meals on your own) we will proceed to the City Park in Eleanor, WV. The City Park is located on Park Rd. off CR 35/13 in Eleanor. Meet at 1:00 p.m. in the parking lot just past the swimming pool. We will walk some trails on the hillside in the park where there is a stand of mature blue ash trees that hopefully is still alive.

Sunday, July 1



Skunk Cabbage

Sunday morning, we will have a walk in the Clifton F McClintic Wildlife Management Area located north of Point Pleasant off SR 62. Turn right onto CR 13 Camp Conley Rd. off SR 62. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the intersection of CR 13 Camp Conley Road and CR 12/1 (Robinson Creek Road). The walk will cover a two-mile loop on a relatively level dirt road. There will be short side trips off road to venture into different habitats to see a wide variety of plants and trees such as swamp loosestrife, poison sumac, spanish oak, skunk cabbage, and crested shield fern. The walk will encompass a variety of habitats from ponds and



Franklin Bonner USFS, Bugwood.org

Field Trip Reports 2017

Kevin Campbell and Judi White have provided lists and photographs (Kevin) from the WVNPS trips in 2017. We should all be grateful for their submissions and dedication. As editor, I debated the inclusion of the entire list but something was so striking, and the photos so attractive that the lists are included. In using the *Checklist and Atlas of the Vascular Flora of West Virginia* for county records (yes, I know that it from 2006 and additional records have been added, particularly from Kevin) the trend revealed is significant.

| | Species reported | County Records | Records Updated | % Critical Information | Listed Rare | % Rare | |
|---------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|--------|--|
| Richie County | 53 | 15 | 18 | 62.2% | 1 | 1.9% | |
| Tucker County | 130 | 6 | 11 | 3% | 27 | 20.7% | |

As you can see there is a distinct difference between the two trips. We need to realize that Kevin puts a great deal of effort in planning trips that show of the botanical diversity of the state and others that increase the information about its less known areas. *Judy Dumke editor*

Plants seen on the North Bend Rail Trail September 9, 2017

Ulmus americana American elm OR Acer nigrum Black Sugar Maple

Kyllinga brevifolia Shortleaf spike sedge SR Invasive

Aesculus flava Yellow Buckeye
Lindera benzoin Spicebush
Scrophularia marilandica Maryland figwort
Solidago caesia Wreath goldenrod R
Hydrangea arborescen
Echinocystis lobata Great Solomon's seal CR

Hybanthus concolor Green violet
Campanulastrum americana Tall bellflower OR
Botrychium virginianum Rattlesnake fern OR
Dennstaedtia punctilobula Hay-scented Fern CR

Ostrya virgininianum Ironwood, Hop hornbeam OR

Conoclinium coelestinum Mistflower
Hackelia virginiana Beggar's-Lice
Lapsana communis Nipplewort CR
Solidago bicolor Silver-rod OR

Helianthus microcephalus Small-headed Sunflower Oxalis grandis Great yellow wood sorrel Cyperus flavescens Yellow flat sedge CR Impatiens pallida Pale touch-me-not Tridens flavus Purpletop OR Erechtites hieraciifolius **Pilewort** ULmus rubra Slippery elm Winged sumac Rhus copallinum Cunila origanoides Dittany OR

Quercus muehlenbergii Yellow oak or chinquapin oak CR

Quercus prinus Chestnut oak OR Lobelia siphilitica Great blue lobelia OR

Asarum canadense Wild ginger
Staphylea trifolia Bladdernut
Sedum ternatum Wild stonecrop OR
Potentilla simplex Common Cinquefoil

Viburnum prunifolium
Symphoricarpos orbiculatus
Leersia virginica
Chamaecrista nictitans
Muhlenbergia sylvatica

Blackhaw
Coralberry
White Grass CR
Wild Sensitive Plant OR
Woodland Muhly CR

At a public stream access North Bend Lake



Lindernia dubia

Lindernia dubia Potamogeton epihydrus Lemna minor Wolffia brasiliensis Justicia americana False Pimpernel S2 OR Floating Pondweed OR Least Duckweed CR Watermeal CR Water-Willow CR



Alisma subcordatum

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Phyla lanceolata
Ludwigia peploides
Diodia virginiana
Scutellaria lateriflora
Panicum dichotomiflorum
Lespedeza violacea
Polygonum aviculare

Common water plantain Fog-Fruit OR

Creeping Primrose-Willow CR
Larger Buttonweed CR
Mad-Dog Skullcap OR
Spreading Witch Grass CR
Violet Bushclover
Knotweed CR

Tucker County June 25-26 2017

Plants observed near the Nature Center in Canaan Valley State Park

Danthonia compressa Crataegus punctata Circaeă alpina Oxalis montana Houstonia serpyllifolia Euphorbia purpurea Abies balsamea Carex gynandra Tsuga canadensis Fraxinus nigra Veratrum viride Dryopteris cristata Alnus rugosa ssp rugosa Schoenoplectrus tabernaemontani Glyceria melicaria Juncus effusus Rhamnus alnifolia Spiraea alba Hypericum densiflorum Sorbus americana Carex scoparia var. scoparia Lysimachia quadrifolia Eriophorum virginicum Carex trisperma Rubus hispidus Rhynchospora alba Betula alleghaniensis Viola rotundifolia Botrychium virginianum Arisaema triphyllum

Allegheny Flyback OR Dotted Thorn Alpine Enchanter's Nightshade White Wood Sorrel Thyme-Leaved Bluets OR Glade Spurge S2 Balsam Fir S1 Nodding Sedge Eastern Hemlock Black Ash S2 False Hellebore Crested Shield Fern Speckled Alder Great Bulrush Manna Grass Common Rush, Lamp Rush Alder-Leaved Buckthorn \$1,\$2 Pipestem Glade St. John's-Wort Mountain Ash Pointed Broom Sedge Whorled Loosestrife Cotton Grass Three Seeded Sedge Hispid Dewberry Beaked Rush Yellow Birch Roundleaf Violet Rattlesnake Fern Jack-in-the-Pulpit Green Dragon

In wet woods/bogs elsewhere in Canaan Valley

Caltha palustris
Chrysosplenium americanum
Platanthera grandiflora
Polemonium vanbruntiae
Viburnum recognitum
Magnolia acuminata
Magnolia fraseri
Cypripedium reginae

Arisaema dracontium

Marsh Marigold Golden Saxifrage Large Purple Fringed Orchid Jacob's Ladder S2 Smooth Arrowwood Cucumber Tree OR Mountain Magnolia Showy Lady's Slipper S1



Viburnum opulus

Viburnum opulus (formerly trilobum)
Viburnum nudum
Cornus amonium
Viburnum cassinoides
Listeria smallii
Mitchella repens
Symphoricarpos orbiculatus

Cranberry Tree
Wild Raisin
Silky Cornel OR
Wild Raisin
Kidney-Leaf Twayblade S2
Partridge Berry
Coralberry

Dolly Sods overlooks and Northland Loop Trail.

Ilex montana
Menziesia pilosa
Solidago uliginosa
Acer pensylvanicum
Cerastrium nutan
Aenaria serpyllifolia
Nemopanthus mucronatu
Sorbus americana
Kalmia latifolia
Lycopodium clavatum
Dicentra exima
Gaylussacia baccata
Prunus pensylvanica
Amelanchier laevis
Ribes glandulosum

Mountain Holly
Minnie-Bush
Bog goldenrod
Moosewood
Nodding Chickweed
Thyme-Leaved Sandwort
Wild Holly
Mountain Ash
Mountain Laurel
Common Clubmoss
Bleeding Heart
Black Huckleberry
Fire Cherry, Pin Cherry OR
Smooth Serviceberry
Skunk Currant



Diervilla Ionicera

Diervilla lonicera Aralia nudicaulis Photinia melanocarpa Sambucus racemosa Sambucus nigra ssp. canadensis Rhododendron prinophyllum Vaccinium myrtilloides Drosera rotundifolia Bush Honeysuckle Wild Sarsaparilla CR Black Chokeberry Red Elderberry Black Elderberry OR Rose Azalea Velvet Leaf Blueberry Round Leaved Sundew S3



Drosera intermedia

Drosera intermedia
Vaccinium oxycoccos
Deschampsia flexuosa
Gaultheria procumbens
Gayulussacia baccata
Carex trisperma
Coptis trifolia
Viburnum nudum var. cassinoides

Small Cranberry S3 Crinkled Hairgrass Teaberry Black Huckleberry Three Seeded Sedge Goldthread S2 Wild Raisin

Sundew CR



Cornus canadensis



Dalibarda repens

Cornus canadensis Dalibarda repens Cypripedium acaule Trillium undulatum Vaccinium angustifolium Vaccinium pallidum Zigadenus leimanthoides Carex folliculata Sisyrinchium angustifolium

Dwarf Cornel, Bunchberry S2 Star-Violet \$3 Pink Lady's Slipper Painted Trillium Lowbush Blueberry Upland Low Blueberry Oceanorus S2 Northern Long Sedge Blue-Eyed Grass

Taxus canadensis Vaccinium macrocarpon Vaccinium oxycoccos Listera smallii Nemopanthus mucronatus Calopogon tuberosus Sarracenia purpurea Eriophorum virginicum Rhynchospora alba

Canada Yew OR S2, S3 Large Cranberry S3 Small Cranberry S3 Kidney-Leaf Twayblade S2 Wild Holly Grass Pink S1 Pitcher Plant I **Cotton Grass** Beaked Rush

Dolly Sods, Bear Rocks



Sibbaldiopsis tridentata

Sibbaldiopsis tridentata Oenothera fruticosa Salix sericea Populus tremuloides Photinia melanocarpa Gallium mollugo Lilium philadelphicum Agrostis gigantea Potentilla recta Echium vulgare Clematis occidentalis Polypodium virginianum Rockcap

Three-Toothed Cinquefoil Narrow-Leaved Sundrops CR Silky Willow Quaking Aspen
B lack Chokeberry White bedstraw Wood lily S2, S3 Redtop Upright Cinquefoil Viper's Bugloss Purple Virgin's Bower S2 Common Polypody Fern,







Pogonia ophioglossoides

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Rose Pogonia S2



Orontium aquaticum

Orontium aquaticum Menyanthes trifoliata Parnassia asarifolia

Golden Club Buckbean S1 Kidneyleaf Grass-of-Parnassus S2



Isoetes engelmanni

Isoetes engelmanni Lycopodiella inundata Eleocharis sp. Viburnum nudum var. cassinoides Viburnum recognitum Pvrola elliptica Cryptotaenia canadensis Smilax herbacea Chamaedaphne calyculata polifolia var. glaucophylla Kalmia polifolia Ilex verticillata Dulichium arundinaceum Lycopodium dendroideum Lycopodium clavatum Lycopodium digitatum

Englemann's Quillwort OR Bog Clubmoss S2 Spikerush Wild Raisin Smooth Arrowwood Shinleaf CR Honewort Carrion Flower Leatherleaf Andromeda I Bog Rosemary I Swamp Laurel 1 Winterberry Holly Three-Way Sedge Ground Pine **Common Clubmoss** Ground pine

Plant common names followed by I have been introduced to the Olson Bog site, and although naturalized, are not to be considered to be native.

Olson Knob Fire Tower

Spiranthes lucida · Festuca subverticillata Acer spicatum Stellaria graminea

Shining Ladies' Tresses S1,S2 CR Nodding Fescue Mountain Maple Lesser Stitchwort &

Bits and Pieces

Thank You Helen and Dan

At the 2017 annual meeting there were two changes in the board makeup. As many you know, Helen Gibbens has served the WVNPS for many years as corresponding secretary, keeping the membership informed of events, news about WV's native plants and opportunities to learn more. In addition to this she has fielded the requests for information which often come In and maintained the membership list. It was her desire was to transfer these tasks to a younger person. Sarah Friend has accepted the challenges of this office beginning in January 2018.

Dan Stevenson resigned as recording secretary as he is moving and will not be able to come to meetings as easily. The office is currently vacant. If you would like to volunteer or nominate someone, for this position please contact: Steve Mace sdmace@frontiernet.net

Steve Mace <u>sdmace@frontiernet.net</u> (304)-674-5523

The WVNPS owes a great debt to these volunteers, if you could thank them in person, please do so. •

Herbarium Donations

The treasurer received appreciative notes for the gifts to the herbaria at WVU, MU and WV Wesleyan, which were approved at the last meeting. Such gifts indicate to the institutions that there is indeed public support and interest in botanical collections. At a time when collections are being abandoned, moved to dead storage or sent searching for alternative institutions to house them, this show of support is critical.

Kathy Gregg at WV Wesleyan sent the following account of the use of funds to advance the use of the information contained on all of those sheets.

I see from my records that I purchased gummed tape and mounting paper with the 2016 donation. This fall I was able to purchase the color card I mentioned in my thank you note last year. It's called a Colorchecker Classic and is much more permanent, with brighter colors, than the older, paper ones we had been using. I have been enjoying using the new color card since we received it in mid-fall (it was back-ordered for quite a while, guess there's a lot of demand for them!) &

Grass Guide

The board authorized a gift of \$100 toward the publication of the *Field Guide to Grasses of the Mid Atlantic Region* by Sarah Chamberlain of Pennsylvania State University. It will be published by the Penn State University press in 2018. Members of the board reviewed an early draft of the book at:

https://psu.box.com/s/3mz6nydomm46foi1msh4 1pms4qdr44yd

prior to making the decision and found that it included information that was greatly needed in West Virginia. •

Tri State Chapter Field Trips

During either the first or second week of April a week day trip to Beech Fork State Park will be held. The exact date will be determined based on the predicted weather. The week day choice is necessary because of park usage.

For details and information contact:

Romie5006@yahoo.com Or (304)-523-1049

May 5 Explore Lick Creek at East Lynn State Park Meet at 9:30 at the Lick Creek Parking lot. GPS Info. (Latitude, Longitude): 38.09972, -82.31778

38°5'59"N, 82°19'4"W

From I-64 in Huntington, WV take Exit 8, south on HWY 152 to Wayne, WV. Travel east on Route 37 for 19 miles and follow signs ❖

Resources

If anyone would care to submit a review of any of the following, the editor would appreciate receiving it.

The following guides may be downloaded for free at Wild About Wildflowers: A classroom Activities Guide

http://flawildflowers.org/resources/pdfs/2016/ WildAboutWildflowers_web.pdf

Flora of the Southern and Mid Atlantic States 2015 version

http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/FloraArchives/WeakleyFlora_2015-05-29.pdf

News of the West Virginia Native Plant Society

Highlights of the September 9, 2017 Membership Meeting

- ! The 2017 membership meeting was held at a picnic shelter in North Bend State Park. Eight members attended, seven were board members
- ! The WVNPS remains solvent. There are 79 members, including life members. Steve Mace reported 3,092 Facebook members.
- ! Donations to state herbaria included \$250 to the WVU herbarium and \$100 to both the MU and WV Wesleyan herbaria.
- ! A motion was made and approved to support the Friends of Blackwater's petition to support the Endangered Species Act.
- ! Dan Stevenson announced that his pending relocation would preclude his continuing to serve as recording secretary.
- ! The new officers were elected and the results are in the adjacent sidebar. •

New Members

Sharon Bias Charleston, WV
Sue Groves Hillsboro, WV
Adrian Melott Lawrence, KS
Lou Scavnicky Martinsburg, WV
Kenny Williams Charleston, WV

DUES ARE DUE

The corresponding secretary is planning to send out dues notices soon to those members who have yet to renew. If that includes you, there is a renewal form on the back of the newsletter, using it will save the WVNPS money for postage and printing and save the time and effort.

West Virginia Native Plant Society Officers

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Recording Secretary-Vacant

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Chris Gatens (3 year term) (304)-458-2533 cmgatens@frontier.com

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Kanawha Valley -Steve Mace See above

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Events of Interest

West Virginia Native Plant Society July 30-July 1 Mason and Putnam Winfield Wetlands & McClintic WMA See page 2 for details

West Virginia Parks

Use the following web site for details https://wvstateparks.com/calendar/

April 5 Blackwater Falls geology of the park April 7 Chief Logan State Park Wildflower Walk April 14 Kanawha State Forest, Charleston Wild Flower Walk

April 27 Pipestem State Park Garlic Mustard Pull May 10-13 Blackwater Falls Wild Flower Pilgrimage West Virginia other

April 8, 15 and 22 Core Arboretum Morgantown Botany Department Spring Wildflower walks 2:00 P. M. https://arboretum.wvu.edu/#calendar

April 14 Nature in Spring Morgantown WV fee https://gotowv.com/event/nature-in-spring-2/

April 27-29 New River Gorge Wildflower Weekend free https://www.nps.gov/neri/planyourvisit/wildflower-weekend.htm

Out of State

April 13-15 Ky Natural Bridge State Park and the Red River Gorge Wild Flower Weekend some fees

http://www.knps.org/wildflower_weekend.html http://naturepreserves.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx

May 18 Washington D.C. Smithsonian Institution Plants in the Past: Fossils and the Future. http://botany.si.edu/sbs/

CATEGORIES Name(s) Address Life \$200 Regular 12 Student 8 **Chapter affiliations (please circle) Tri-State** 6 Kanawha Valley 0 **Eastern Panhandle** I prefer to receive the Native Notes by mail _____ e-mail_ You must be a member of the statewide WVNPS in order to be a member of a local chapter.

Please make the check payable to West Virginia Native Plant Society; Include local chapter dues, if pertinent. Dues are for one calendar year.

Judi White

WVNPS Treasurer 148 Wellesley Dr. Washington WV 26181

2017 WVNPS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL OR INITIATION

Send dues to: