Field Trip Schedule

All field trips start at 1:30 P.M. If you need more information than is given here, call our field trip chairman, Jasper Brown, at 364-8299.

Saturday, July 9 - Mt. Davis

This will be a continuation of our plant survey of the area. Meet at the picnic area with a lunch. Water and restrooms as well as picnic tables are available. It is suggested that you watch for Mt. Davis signs in Meyersdale on Rte. 219. Jasper Brown, leader.

Saturday, July 16 - Rockland Township

We are again invited to be guests of Roger Hummel, near his hunting camp. Leave Rte. 8 north of I-80 at Rte. 308, and follow signs to Kennerdell. Cross the river, turn left up the hill. Pass the overlook on the left, then take the first road to the left, shortly after passing an aluminum sided house. At the end of this road, turn left. Soon after passing "Hooten Hollow" there will be a road to the right. Meet here. Roger Hummel, leader.

Saturday, July 23 - Titus Bog

Our trip on June 4 was too early to see much, probably due to cold weather. There seemed to be no damage from late frosts, but the few who were present wanted to return to see Habenaria blephariglottis, the white-fringed orchis, which was appearing in spite of the cold. Meet at usual at the Pennsylvania rest stop on Rtes. 6 and 89 between Union City and Corry. Bob Morgan, leader.

Saturday, July 30 - Jennings Prairie

Meet at the parking lot across the street from the Nature Center on Rte. 528, near Rte. 8, Y23, and the Old Stone House. There will be a good display of Liatris spicata and other flowers. Priscilla Stoughton, leader.

Saturday, August 6 - Allegheny River

Meet along the river bank along Rte. 268, a short distance north of Parker. After seeing what is here, we will continue across the river to an area where Cebis angulare is abundant. Esther Allen, leader.

Allegheny Wildflower Camp

Highly recommended — the Wildflower Weekend conducted each year by Brooks Nature Center at the Oglebay Camp in Terra Alta, West Virginia.

Anne and I enjoyed this year's camp over the Memorial Day weekend, although we almost froze the first night. What a treat it was to have Allison Cusick as our leader and guide. Allison is Botanist for the State of Ohio. As a field trip leader, he has no peer. Every minute is packed with interest for both the novice and the experienced veteran, and that's no easy accomplishment. Allison makes sure that everyone, even the poor guy at the end of the line, hears every word.

The meals were outstanding. You would think we were at Christopher's restaurant and not at a mountain camp. The piece de resistance — freshly picked morels for dinner.

ROBERT ACHE DIES

The Botanical Society had been working closely with Robert Ache, Forester of the Forbes State Forest System, in compiling a plant list of the area. In fact, Mr. Ache was scheduled to lead our field trip of July 9 to Mt. Davis.

As announced at our June meeting, Mr. Ache has passed away, and the Botanical Society will have to complete the project without his guidance and assistance.

NO MEETING IN JULY

We have no monthly meetings in July and August. See you on September 12.