February 1990

Wildflowers
THE BULLETIN OF THE
BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF W. PA.

FEBRUARY MEETING

Our next meeting will be Monday, February 12, at
8 P.M. at Trinity Hall, Carlow College, 3333 Fifth Ave.,
Oakland.

Mr. Ray Beringer, Chief of Surveillance Section,
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, will present a program,
"Wetland Regulations".

BOTANICAL SOCIETY PROGRAMS FOR 1990

Meetings are held the second Monday of the month,
at 8 P.M., at Trinity Hall on the Carlow College Campus.

Jan. 8 - Paul Wiegman, Director of the Western Pa. Con­
servancy, "Wetlands in Western Pennsylvania"

Feb. 12 - Mr. Ray Beringer, Chief of Surveillance Section,
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, "Wetland Regu­
lations"

Mar. 12 - Dr. Mary Joy Haywood, Carlow College, "Flora of
Papua, New Guinea"

Apr. 9 - Dr. William R. Schell, Dept. of Radiation
Health, University of Pittsburgh, "Deposition
and Mobility of Elements in Wetland Ecosystems"

May 14 - Mr. Richard McCoy, U. S. Fish and Wildlife
Biologist, "Mechanisms for Protecting our
Wetlands"

June 11 - NAEG, "Environmentally Critical Areas: Wetlands,
Waterways, and Watersheds"

Sep. 10 - Mr. Robert Calvin, "Flora of Western Penn­
sylvania"

Oct. 8 - To be announced.

Nov. 12 - Mr. Scott J. Shriver, Field Trip Chairman of
the Botanical Society, title to be announced.

Dec. 10 - Members' Christmas Party

FIELD TRIPS FOR 1990

In 1989 many members enjoyed Botanical Society field
trips to new places or places that had not been visited
for many years. As your 1990 Field Trip Chairman, I hope
I can continue to plan trips to such places, but I need
your help. Please take a minute or two to jot down some
information about where you might like to go in 1990.
Some field trips are already being planned, but next
year's field trip schedule is far from being full. It
would be great to get some input from every member!

Please drop me a note with the following information:

1) Where to go and on what date
2) What plants could be seen
3) Who might be able to lead

Scott Shriver
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or Call (412) 741-9749

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Super Sundays, a series of three educational lectures. All
lectures begin at 2:00 p.m. and are open to both members
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To mark your calendars:

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Sunday, February 11 ........................................... 2:00 p.m.
Native Perennials For The Garden
Martha Oliver, Owner, Primrose Path

Sunday, February 25 ........................................... 2:00 p.m.
Protecting Pennsylvania's Rare Plants
Kathy McKenna, Botanist, PA Department of
Environmental Resources

Sunday, March 11 ........................................... 2:00 p.m.
THE KATHERINE MABIS McKENNA LECTURE
Advanced European Designs
Anita Lindsey, AIFD

These talks, given by experts in each area, will provide
new and interesting information. Martha Oliver, whose
nursery specializes in woodland, native and rock garden
plants, will discuss perennials native to the eastern United
States that are suitable for the home garden. Included will
be shade and sun loving plants that have long bloom time,
spectacular floral display and/or are easy care.

Kathy McKenna, the Botanist with the PA Department
of Environmental Resources, works with the state to save
endangered species such as snow trillium, showy lady
slippers and rare violets. She will present a lively slide
show on many of the exciting natural features in Pennsyl­
vania that create our natural diversity. This is a very
important and timely subject.

Anita Lindsey, a graduate and teacher of the Dutch
Master International Design School and floral designer for
House and Garden magazine, has won many awards for
her work. She will do a presentation of Advanced Euro­
pean Arrangements, three of which will be given as door
prizes. Join the excitement of watching this talented
designer at work.

There is something for everyone in our Super Sunday
lectures. Won't you join us? Please register for these free
lectures by calling the Garden Center at 441-4442.

CLINTONIA UMBELLULATA

This bulbous sketch of the White Clintonia was made
by Anne Garnett of Columbia, Md. Anne is the grand­
dughter of Anne and Bob Bahl.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our members brought in some unusual & excellent
slides, mostly of the summer botanical trips. Our new
member, Norma, had some really lovely pictures of wild­
flowers - the colors were strong & the lighting just
right. Chuck brought his projector & equipment in - as
he does each year.

As usual - the refreshments were wild & wonderful!
Blackberry cake, herb tea, black walnut fudge, pickled
wild crabapple & hickory nut cookies - probably the first
time this confection was made in the ESA - or in the
world for that matter! And black raspberry juice.

Others - not so wild but delicious were muffins,
cheese (on our favorite dog), jelly, peanut butter fudge
(Tim's favorite) & assorted bar cookies, pecans, cider &
other special concoctions.

Most of us mixed our drinks - with no adverse effect!
We were fortunate that the predicted bad weather
didn't develop. 14 present - you others missed a good
show & repast.

- Ede Mock

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

These meetings for our publication have been set up:

Tuesday, January 30 - 7:00 P.M.
Tuesday, February 13 - 7:00 P.M.
Monday, February 26 - 7:00 P.M.

We have re-printed a portion of the Jan./Feb. bulletin of the
Pittsburgh Civic Garden Center, because we feel
that many Botan­
ical Society members will want to attend
these lectures. The
Garden Center, for
those who might not
know, is located at
1059 Shady Ave., off
Fifth Ave.