

# Wildflowers

THE BULLETIN OF THE  
BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF W. PA.

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## 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".

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## 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. Conservancy, "Wetlands in Western Pennsylvania"

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

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 - NAEC, "Environmentally Critical Areas: Wetlands, Waterways, and Watersheds"

Sep. 10 - Mr. Robert Colvin, "Flora of Western Pennsylvania"

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

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## 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

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We have re-printed a portion of the Jan./Feb. bulletin of the Pittsburgh Civic Garden Center, because we feel that many Botanical 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.

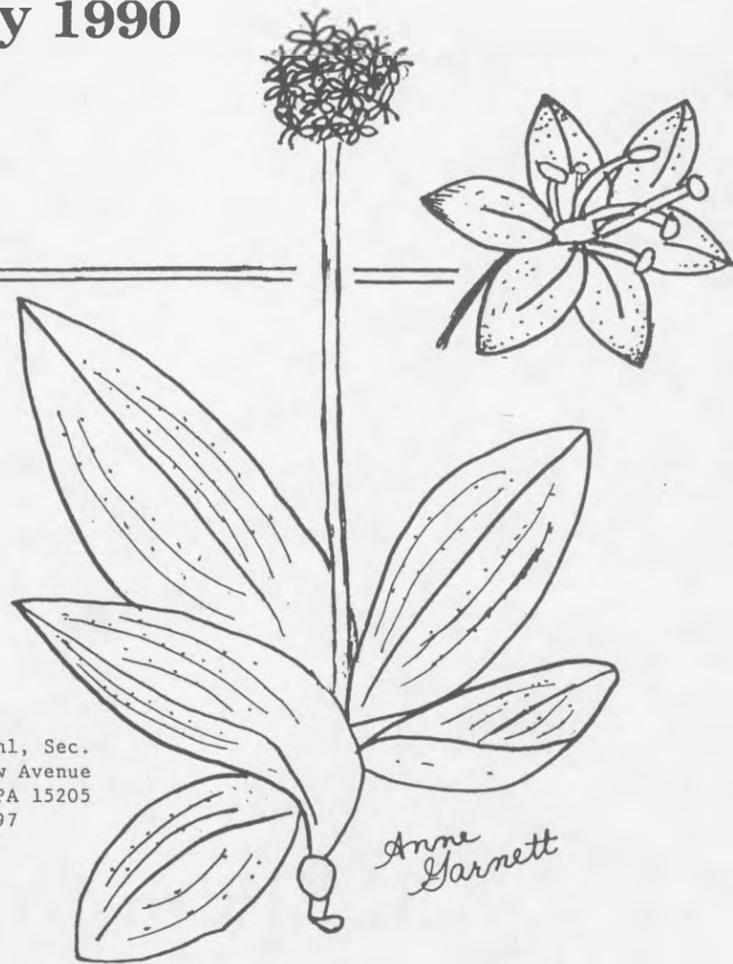
Help us kick off the gardening season by attending Super Sundays, a series of three educational lectures. All lectures begin at 2:00 p.m. and are open to both members and non-members, **free of charge**. Please mark your calendars:

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



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## CLINTONIA UMBELLULATA

This ballpoint sketch of the White Clintonia was made by Anne Garnett of Columbia, Md. Anne is the granddaughter of Anne and Bob Bahl.

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## 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 wildflowers - 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 USA - 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.

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## 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.

## SUPER SUNDAYS

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 Pennsylvania 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 European 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.