

Wildflowers

THE BULLETIN OF THE
BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF W. PA.

WILD PARTY

I'm sure that wild parties are frowned upon on the Carlow Campus, but this one is different.

Our December meeting, Monday the 13th at 8 P.M., will be our traditional wild Christmas party. We enjoy all sorts of things from the wild -- fruits, berries, nuts, mushrooms -- in pies, cookies, candies, jellies, beverages, etc. -- brought in by the members.

HOWEVER...and I have been asked to put this in the bulletin...don't stay away if you have nothing to bring. There is always enough to go around.

This year we again combine Members' Night with our Christmas party. Each member brings up to twelve botanical slides taken during the past year.



In the way of scientific research, there will be an exploration of the efficaciousness of *Phoradendron flavescens* as an osculatory stimulus. Purely fanciful mental absorption!

The party will be held at Aquinas Hall on the Carlow College Campus, just a little down from our usual meeting place, which is Trinity Hall.



1994 DUES ARE DUE

Bring your application and check to the December meeting. If you can't make the meeting, mail them to our Treasurer:

Walter J. Gardill
P. O. Box 226, Grosick Rd.
Ingomar, PA 15127

Please do not mail these applications to the Secretary. It just means an extra postage stamp, because I just send them right to Walter.

If you save your copies of *Wildflowers* and do not wish to cut out the form, that's O.K. Just put the information on a separate piece of paper.

Application for Membership in BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA	
Name	_____
name	_____
Address	_____
Phone	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> Single, \$5
<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Family, \$8
	<input type="checkbox"/> Student, \$2.50

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ILEX OPACA

The Christmas sketch of American Holly was drawn by my favorite artist, Anne Bahl.

JIM STULL

We have learned that Jim Stull of Waterford, Pa., a member for 20 years, has died. Jim was our Titus Bog representative.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jean Stull.

IT'S THE THOUGHT THAT COUNTS

If anybody is looking for something to get me for Christmas,, I could use a copy of *A FLORA OF NORTH AMERICA* by William P.C. Barton, printed in Philadelphia in 1823. I can tell you where you can get a slightly used volume, somewhat frayed at the edges, for a mere \$4250.00.

NEW MEMBERS

How appropriate! Our newest members are --
RICH & DONNA NOEL

These are our first Noel members.

We also welcome --

SONJA H. SLETTEN

SESQUICENTENNIAL

We congratulate Dr. Mary Joy Haywood and all of the Sisters of Mercy. They are celebrating 150 years of service in the Pittsburgh area, having arrived here in December, 1843.



WHAT BIRD IS THAT?

If your love of nature includes birds as well as flowers, you might want to join the Brooks Bird Club. To learn more about this fine organization and how to join, contact Mary Lou Brown - (412) 364-8229

PHIPPS CONSERVATORY CENTENNIAL

On December 7, 1893, Phipps Conservatory, the largest conservatory in the United States at that time, was opened without ceremony. In contrast, Phipps 100th birthday is being celebrated with a special winter flower show that starts Friday, November 26 and ends on Saturday, January 8.

For further information call 622-6958.

Since you probably weren't at Phipps for the opening, you can redeem yourself by going to its birthday show.

- Anne Bahl

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

We'll have our annual election at the December meeting, so be sure to come. This is your only chance to kick the rascals out. Incidentally, Ed Rollins will *not* pay you for not showing up.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS, A HAPPY HANUKKAH TO ALL