JUNE MEETING

Our next meeting will be Monday, June 10. Phyllis Monk will present "Wildflowers of Yosemite and the Sierra." It will include Sequoia and Kings Canyon Parks.

Phyllis and Billy had hoped to see Yosemite for their 5th wedding anniversary. They made it 40 years later.

8 P.M. -- Trinity Hall
Carnegie College
3333 Fifth Ave.
Oakland

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

June 1, 1996--Ferncliff Peninsula. Chiopyle St. Pk., Fayette Cty. Starting Time: 1:00 P.M.
Leader: Loree Speedy
Directions: From Pgh... take the Turnpike east to Donegal exit. Turn left onto Rte. 31 East. After 2 miles, turn right onto Rte. 381/711. Travel 18.5 miles south into the town of Chiopyle. After crossing the railroad tracks, park in the Ferncliff parking area on the right.

June 5, 1996--Titus Bog, Erie County Starting Time: 1:00 P.M.
Leader: Jeanne Porenski
Directions: From I-79 take I-79 north to Rt. 6N (Edinboro exit); exit and drive east on 6N through Union City. After turning the turn out of Union City, drive 5.7 miles to the intersection of Rt. 89 North, where we will meet at the Blatt Brothers Drive-In Theatre on the left. **** We can expect to see orchids--arctheus, rose pogonia--buckseed, pitcher plant, and sundew. Plan on getting wet to the knees and climbing over tree trunks. **** This is our own bog, jointly owned by the Botanical Society and the Presque Isle Audubon Society.

June 15, 1996--Jennings Prairie Starting Time: 1 P.M.
Directions: Take I-79 North, Rte. 422 East, and Rte. 528 North to Jennings (17.4 miles). Meet at the Blazing Star parking area across from the Nature Center. We don't want to miss Virginia's monument plants.

June 21, 1996--Wattsburg Fen Starting Time: 1 P.M.
Directions: Take I-79 North and Route 6 East. After passing through Clarion City, turn left on Rt. 89W and proceed about 2 miles. We will meet across from the bog in a parking area just beyond some farm buildings on the left side of the road. We will enter bog by crossing a guardrail and descending a slight grade. Be prepared to walk in wet sphagnum mud holes.

FIELD TRIPS

Due to employment opportunities, Scott Speedy is unable to coordinate field trips for the rest of the summer. Leaders are needed for July and September. Please call Jeanne Porenski at 343-6546 or Loree Speedee at 521-9425.

ERYTHRONIUM AMERICANUM
"When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host of golden daffodils."
Even though they resembled something from "Dr. Zhivago," I knew they couldn't be daffodils. The whole hillside was covered with yellow flowers, thousands of them, but what were they? Dandelions? No! I was in the car. I turned around away in some pristine wilderness? Would you believe it was the next morning, so I couldn't go back to get a photograph.

I was flabbergasted when I checked them out and realized they were trout lilies. I didn't have my camera with me, and I was leaving for Philadelphia the next morning, so I couldn't go back to get a photograph.

RADIANT TRILLIUMS
"When a girl in a crowd,
A host of golden daffodils."

DEODA VOLUNTEER
I'll be there next April...with my camera.

CYTISPERONIAMUENTHE
Our single yellow lady's-slipper has now increased to four. Three of the plants are in bloom (May 14). One has two flowers side by side on a single stem. This is definitely unpredictable, but the flowers are smaller than any pneumonolum we have ever seen. The tallest plant is only 6" tall and the smallest 6". Ann E. Bob Bohl

THE BUKER AWARD FUND

Many thanks to those who have already made contributions to the Beker Award Endowment! The formal announcement of the establishment of the Beker Award, which will provide support to persons at any level of botanical training to use the collections at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, will be made during the First Annual Native American Orchids Conference (19-21 July 1996). If you want your name to be added to the list of people honoring W.E. Beker's botanical accomplishments, please send your contribution by July 10, 1996 to: Beker Award Endowment, c/o Section of Botany, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, 4400 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Please indicate if the contribution is made in memory or in honor of another person. We will present Beker with a list of all those contributing to this fund as well as including the names of people in whose memory or honor gifts were made. Please make checks payable to "Carnegie Institute—Beker Fund."

G>E>TA CAROLINENSIS
Virginia Phelps reports on her "babies." As of May 18, there are 40 monument plants at the Jennings Prairie station. They are expected to bloom about June 20.

DOUBLE ISSUE NEXT MONTH
The next issue of Wildflowers will cover both July and August. Anne and I will be gone all during July. We'll be on a grand tour of the country...4y 4d. We'll take the northern route along the Canadian border, then down the Pacific Coast, and back along the Mexican border. How do you botanize from a train? You get off along the way and rent a car. We'll be at Glacier National Park for five days. There will be another stop in Oregon, and then 10 days in central California.

So, if you have anything for either July or August, it must be in my hands by June 18.