THE BULLETIN OF THE BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF W. PA.

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Our 101st Year

JUNE MEETING

Fr. Max Duman of St. Vincent College will present Flora of the Arctic at our next meeting, Monday, the 8th of June, at 8:00 P.M....at our usual place, Trinity Hall, Carlow College, 3333 Fifth Ave., Oakland.

There are no meetings scheduled for the months of July and August.

CONGRATULATIONS, VIRGINIA PHELPS

Thrilling news! Our recording secretary, Virginia Phelps, has been awarded a mini-grant of \$500.00 from the Wild Resources Conservation Fund of Pennsylvania's Dept.of Environmental Resources.

Her project is "Life Cycle Study and Distribution of Frasera caroliniensis".

APPRECIATION, MARK AND JANE KONRAD

Mark and Jane invited Botanical Society members to a Garden Open House at their Edgeworth home on May 13. What a show it was! The rhododendrons were at their peak.

The Konrads have been crossing rhododendrons for many years, and have developed numerous named hybrids. Our favorite was "Jane", which Mark lovingly named for his wife.

NATURE PRINTING

Bob Little will be giving two courses on Nature Printing at Touchstone Camp this summer -

Basic - July 13-18 Advanced - July 20-25

For information or registration: Touchstone Center for Crafts, Pioneer Crafts Council, P.O. Box 2141, Uniontown, PA 15401 - (412)438-2811.

A WEEK ON THE BRUCE

Nine members of the Botanical Society have signed up for the Wildflower Week on Bruce Peninsula June 13 to 20 -

Kate and Scott Shriver
Lois and Albert Shriver
Dorothy and Bill Kotsenas
Anne and Bob Bahl
Dr. Doug Jolley

The last word we have is that there is still some room left. If any additional members would want to make the trip, please call the Eagle Foundation (815)594-2259.

CONGRATULATIONS, ESTHER ALLEN

The Eat'n'Park Restaurant in Avalon has purchased six of Esther Allen's wildflower photographs for permanent display. These are hanging most prominently right above the salad bar. Really, you can't miss them.

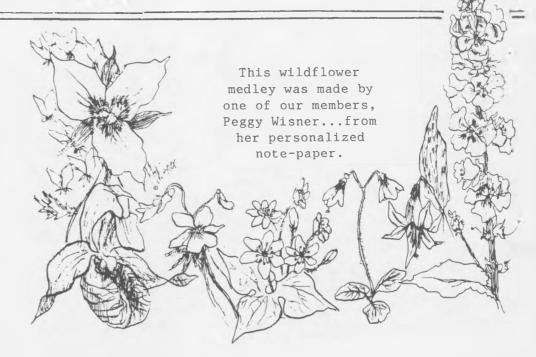
WANTED TO BUY

Hersch Leapman is interested to purchase botany books to supplement his personal library.

If you have any botany books, or indeed, volumes on any natural history subject, you may reach Dr. Leapman at his office by telephoning 431-3601.

GROW YOUR OWN GOLF CLUBS

Dr. Mary Joy Haywood sent us an interesting article clipped from the Monongahela Valley Review. From it we learned that the best golf clubs are made from the wood of the persimmon tree, Diospyros virginiana. We learned, too, that the persimmon is the northernmost member of the ebony family.



FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

All field trips are on Saturdays. The rendezvous time is 1:30 P.M. If you have any questions, call our Field Trip Chairman, Esther Allen, at 366-0786.

June 6 - TITUS BOG

The Presque Isle Audubon Society members will join us on this outing. Meet at the rest stop on U.S. 6 and Route 89 between Union City and Corry. Leader, Bob Morgan.

June 13 - FRIENDSHIP HILL

The National Park Service has asked us to conduct a plant survey here. From Pittsburgh, take I-79 south to the Masontown exit (No. 21). As you come into Masontown, watch for brown and white signs directing you to Friendship Hill.

June 20 - GREENE COUNTY

Drive south on I-79. Exit at Ruff Creek. Turn left and after a short distance, left again onto State Route 221. Continue for 4 or 5 miles to Lippincott. Just past the second church (Faith Baptist) turn left and meet at the third house on the right, a brick house with colonial columns, the Haywood home. Leader, Dr. Mary Joy Haywood.

June 27 - WATTSBURG BOG

Take I-79 north to intersection of Rte. 6 at Meadville. Follow 6 east to Route 89. Turn left on Route 89 and go about 3.5 miles to Weber Farm buildings on left, Bog on right. We hope to see large numbers of the Showy Lady's Slipper as well as other orchids and bog plants. Leader, H. Leapman.

July 4 - NO HIKE SCHEDULED

July 11 - SOUTH PARK

Meet at Park headquarters on Brownsville Road just off intersection with Corrigan Drive. In addition to exploring for new plant species, we will learn about the edibility of some plants. Leader, John Doyle, Park Naturalist.

PENNSYLVANIA WILD RESOURCES CONFERENCE

Our members are invited to attend the Pennsylvania Wild Resources Conference June 12-14 at the J. O. Keller Conference Center, University Park, Pa.

Some of the botanical topics on the agenda are:

Pennsylvania Native Plant Ecology
The Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory
Using Native Wild Plants in the Home Garden
and in Landscape Design

Among the field trips will be -

Special Natural Features, Scotia Range Wetlands, Bear Meadows

Enrollment fee is \$30. To register, contact:

Agricultural Conference Co-ordinator 409 J. O. Keller Building University Park, PA 16802 Phone: (814) 865-9547