

Wildflowers

THE BULLETIN OF THE
BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF W. PA.

MAY MEETING

The next meeting will be Monday, May 11 at 8 PM - at our usual meeting place, Trinity Hall, Carlow College, 3333 Fifth Ave., Oakland.

Virginia Phelps will present the program, "Some of My Favorite Things".



FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

Field trips are on Saturdays. Any questions? Call our Field Trip Chairman, Jeanne Poremski, 412-343-6546.

May 2 - TOMLINSON RUN STATE PARK, HANCOCK COUNTY, WV

Starting Time - 1:30 PM

Leader - Carl Patsche

Refer to April issue of "Wildflowers"

May 9 - LOU HENRY HOOVER NATURE SANCTUARY

Starting Time - 1:30 PM

Leader - Kitty Witz Manon

Refer to April issue of "Wildflowers"

May 16 - CANOE CREEK STATE PARK, BLAIR COUNTY, PA

Starting Time - 12 Noon

Leader - Mary Paoli

Directions: From Pittsburgh take Rt. 22 east. About 7 or 8 miles past Hollidaysburg, turn left onto Turkey Valley Rd. Follow signs to Canoe Creek St. Park. We will meet in the large parking lot at the picnic groves; look for a U-Haul trailer. This site is only an hour and 45 minutes from the Fort Pitt Tunnels.

Expectations: Canoe Creek, aside from being a well-interpreted site of an historic limestone kiln, is also a gem for a combination of plants. We will see a major stand of large flowered yellow lady's slippers, one flowered cancer root, fringed polygala, long spurred white violets (among several others), yellow pimpernel, and whorled milkweed. Our leader will give us a tip for finding starflowers at the Portage RR historic site on the return trip.

May 23 - OHIO PYLE STATE PARK

Starting Time - 12 Noon

Leader - Esther Allen

Directions: Exit the PA Turnpike at Donegal. Turn left onto Rt. 31 east. Drive 2 miles and turn right on Rt. 381 south for 18.5 miles to Ohio Pyle. On the other side of town, bear right at the Y intersection and go .3 miles to the Cucumber Falls parking lot, where we will meet.

Expectations: Showy orchis.

May 30 - PRESQUE ISLE STATE PARK

Starting Time - 12 Noon

Leader - Evelyn Anderson

Directions: Drive to the end of I-79 in Erie and follow signs to Presque Isle, where we will meet at the Administration Building. To guard against ticks, wear light colored clothing to cover exposed skin, a hat, and tick repellent.

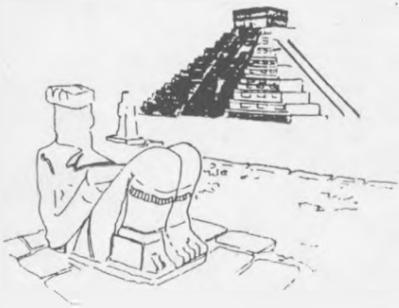
Expectations: Hairy puccoon, wild lupine, and Canada anemone.

- Jeanne Poremski



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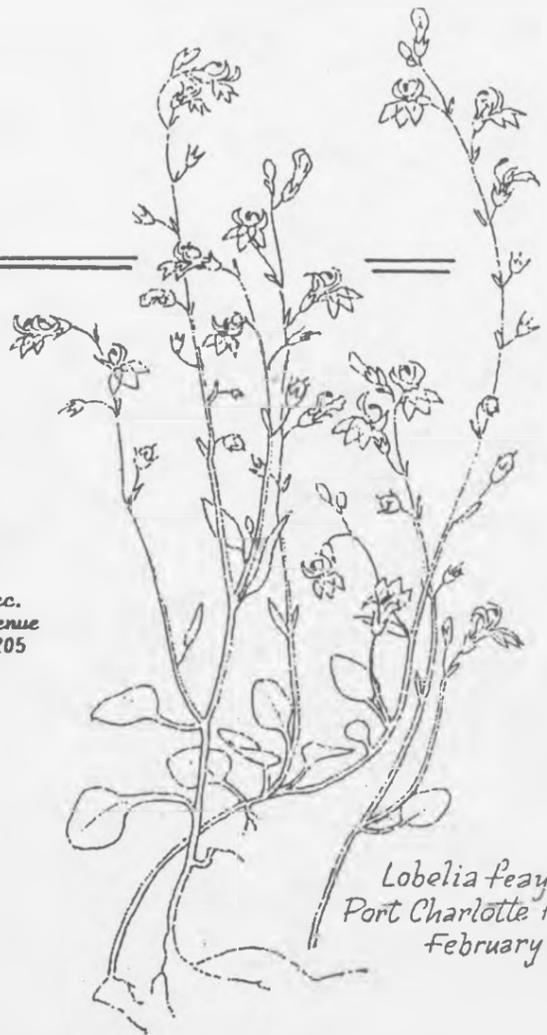
Our president, Dr. Mary Joy Haywood, will be accompanying a group of Carlow and LaRoche students on a cultural exchange program to the Yucatan peninsula. She will be combining her two great loves, botany and archeology. She leaves May 17.



RED DOT? Are your dues paid up?

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Lobelia feayana
Port Charlotte FL
February 1992

LOBELIA FEAYANA

Arabelle Wheatley starts off, "I don't know if you want to use drawings of plants away from Pennsylvania..."

I assure you, anything from Arabelle gets printed here -- and I don't care if it's from Jupiter, Florida or the planet Jupiter.

This depiction of the bay lobelia is from Arabelle's Sketchbook. She makes a stat of the ink drawing before putting the water color on.

This little lobelia turns wet ditches by the side of the road blue. It blooms from February to October.

Arabelle adds that Bob is still involved with needlepoint (current subject is wood storks). She is playing at Japanese ink painting and a life drawing class in the next town.



PRESQUE ISLE

One of our members is doing research on Presque Isle, and would appreciate any information you might have. She is -

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OUR MAN IN MOSCOW

Bob Morgan is rushin' off to Russia. Leaving April 27, he will be marching in the May 1 parade in Moscow with a group called "Freedom Force".



NEW MEMBERS

We welcome these new members to the Botanical Society: Bill Beatty, Janice Celedonnia, Mary Davis, Maryann Vesely, Albert Kondrak, Ann Giorgi, Carmen Roa, Patricia Clawson, Diane Lombardi, Jeffery and Tamora Donahue, Janice Fazio.



PHIPPS PLANT SALE

Phipps sixth annual plant sale will be on the lawn in front of the Conservatory on Friday, Saturday and Sunday - May 8, 9, 10 - from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

There will be a large variety of annuals, perennials, herbs, water plants, shrubs, hanging baskets, bonsai, cacti and houseplants - also plants not readily available locally.



- Anne Bahl