

OCTOBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be Monday, October 14. (It's always the second Monday of the month). It starts promptly at 8:00 P.M., and it will



be at our usual place, Trinity Hall, Carlow College, 3333 Fifth Ave., Oakland.

Esther Allen, who definitely needs no introduction, will give the program. It is entitled....

"WATER LOVING PLANTS"

PENNSYLVANIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY MEETING

The Pennsylvania Native Plant Society will meet at Carlow College on Saturday, November 2.

> Registration - 12 Noon Lunch - 1 P.M. Meeting - 2 to 4 P.M. Break - 4 P.M. Meeting - until approx. 5:30 P.M.

Estimated cost of lunch - \$8.

Botanical Society members are invited to attend. You do not have to belong to the PNPS. - Dr. Mary Joy Haywood

SYMPATHY

Our condolences to Anne Bahl, whose brother Edward Schleder died on September 16.

ASTER NOVAE-ANGLIAE

There is a New England Aster growing above our driveway. It is more than 5-ft. high and 4-ft. wide. There are 429 fully open blossoms on it.

- Anne and Bob Bahl

PLACES TO GO AND THINGS TO DO

We have picked up these announcements from the Pittsburgh Civic Garden Center Newsletter. Note the instructor on the wildflower trip to Moraine State Park. Has anyone ever heard of her?

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CYSTOPTERIS FRAGILIS

This Fragile Fern, actual specimen, is from Esther Allen's famous collection.

FIELD TRIPS

There are no field trips scheduled for October. You are on your own to check out the gorgeous fall foliage that is Western Pennsylvania's heritage.

A VERY SPECIAL DINING EVENT

OCTOBER 24th, 6:30 P.M.

with JACK CZARNECKI,

AUTHOR OF "A Cook's book of Mushrooms"

... at the Pines Tavern, 5018 Bakerstown Rd. Gibsonia. Dinner is \$75 per person including tax and gratuity, by reservation only. Please call 412-625-3252 to reserve your place.



Chef Series-Jack Czarnecki of Joe's Restaurant, Reading, PA loin us for two events profiling this renowned American Chef nationally

and culinary expertise of wild mushrooms. Event 1: A Lecture/demonstration highlighting wild mushrooms. Chef Czarnecki will prepare and present Mushrooms Tuscan style and narrate a slide lecture featuring edible mushrooms of Pennsylvania. Attendance by reservation only. Class and lecture will be presented in the Large Group Instruction Room of the Pine Richland High School at 1pm. Class fee is \$10.00. Call 625-3252 to make your reservations. Please let us know if you would like a map mailed to you prior to class. The High School is approximately 1 mile from the restaurant. Our dining room will open at 11:30am if you would like lunch prior to class. Event 2: - A Culinary Evening with Jack Czarnecki at 6:30pm Join us for a four course meal promoting the virtues of wild mushrooms. George Foote of Beaulieu Vineyard will also be our guest, commenting on great wines to serve with wild mushroom dishes.

If you are not able to join us for the Great American Chef Series, autographed copies of Jack Czarnecki's A Cook's Book of Mushrooms can be ordered for \$36.25 including tax and UPS shipping. Payment by MC/Visa only. Please call

FALL WILDFLOWERS AT MORAINE STATE PARK

Thursday, October 3 Date: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Time: Instructor: Esther Allen, Naturalist

Join Esther for another adventure into the natural world. This time, we'll car pool to Moraine State Park. Fall bloomers, including goldenrods and asters, will be plentiful. We should also see the late blooming lady's tresses orchid. The unusual bulb-bearing water hemlock may also be found.

Let us know when you register if you can drive. (Vehicle must hold at least four nassengers.) Registration fees will be refunded for drivers. The number of registrants will determine the number of drivers needed, so drivers will be determined close to the day of the trip.

Bring a bag lunch. Beverages will be provided.

Fee: \$20.00 Members; \$25.00 Non-members

CONTEMPORARY **BOTANICAL ARTISTS EXHIBITION**

The Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation of Carnegic Mellon University will display "Contemporary Botanical Artists: The Shirley Sherwood Collection" from September 16 through December 6, 1996.

Dr. Sherwood's private collection is undoubtedly the finest of contemporary botanical art. With this traveling exhibition, she hopes to introduce these artists to a wider public.

The Institute is open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM to Noon, and 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Call 268-2434 for more information.



625-3252 to place your order.

PHIPPS PHALL PHLOWERS

Go to Phipps Conservatory from Saturday, October 5 through Sunday, October 5 for the Fall Flower Show, "Vintage Mums".

Those who have fond memories of long-past fall flower shows will enjoy seeing the older varieties of chrysanthemums. Two of the nostalgic features are:

- 1. A re-creation of the original Cloister Garden, built in 1936.
- 2. A re-creation of one of Frank Curto's designs in the Sunken Garden.

Hours are 9 to 5 Tuesday through Sunday; closed Monday. For further information call 622-6914.

- Anne Bahl