

Blue Ridge Wildflower Society

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Summer News

June 2019

Welcome New Members!

Peter Radford, Somerset, VA
Linda Brundrett, Roanoke, VA
Kim Zell, Haymarket, VA
Catherine Farmer, Richmond, VA
Larry & Cathy Jackson, Roanoke, VA
Harriet Shaw, Blacksburg, VA
(Originally from Oklahoma State University)
Nicole Zehr, Charlottesville, VA
Mary Lou & Sid Barritt, Roanoke, VA
Sylvia Sloan, Annandale, VA
Nora Cox, Lynchburg, VA
Will Friedman, Mount Vernon, VA
Linda & Robert Guiles, Catawba, VA
Carol Hammer, Lynchburg, VA
Richard Tabb, Roanoke, VA
Jane Tabb, Roanoke, VA
Elaine Zickafoose, Rockville, VA
Mitzi Fox, Front Royal, VA
Linda Hawthorne, Palmyra, VA
Pamela, Wercinski, Lexington, VA



Next newsletter deadline:
August 5, 2019

2019 Summer Calendar



Saturday, July 20 ~~Tuesday, July 16~~, 8:00 am Claytor Nature Center near Bedford
This field trip will be led by Professor of Biology Nancy Cowden from Lynchburg University. She will share lots of summer flowers including some rare orchids. We will be finished by noon. Lunch is optional. There is a nice covered porch if folks want to picnic.

Leader: Butch Kelly 540-384-7429 or butch2410@msn.com Be sure to wear long pants and bring bug juice, hat and lots of water.

Meet: 8:00 am at Kroger on Rt. 460 near the car wash

Saturday, August 10, 4:00 – 6:00 pm The Annual Picnic

This annual event is held in conjunction with the Roanoke Valley Bird Club, who will provide fried chicken, and we will provide barbecue. Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert. Water and soft drinks will also be provided.

Meet: 4:00 - 6:00 pm, Roanoke Council of Garden Clubs, 3640 Colonial Ave., Roanoke

Contact: Ellen Holtman, 389-1514

Saturday, August 17, 9:00 am Fenwick Mines in Jefferson National Forest in Craig County

Toni will lead us to a botanical treasure which features a nice board walk, waterfalls and lots of late summer flowers. Some of the flowers featured will be cardinal flower, monkey flower, bull rush, meadow beauty, goldenrod, lots of sedges and other wetland flora. Walking will be on the board walk and a short jaunt along a mountain stream featuring a nice waterfall. The walking will be shortly over a mile in length and is rated as easy. Some of the walking is in woods, but some is in the open.

Leader: Antoinette "Toni" Pepin, PhD, professor of Biology at VWCC. Bring walking shoes, rain gear, hat, water and bug juice. There is a nice picnic area so bring lunch.

Contact: Butch Kelly 540-384-7429 or butch2410@msn.com

Meet: 9:00 am Orange market in Salem on Thompson Memorial Blvd where the road intersects with Rt. 311

Monday, September 23, 7:00 pm Chapter Meeting TBA

Meet: 7:00 pm, Roanoke Council of Garden Clubs, 3640 Colonial Avenue, Roanoke

Contact: Ellen Holtman, 389-1514



RESULTS TO DATE

THE 2019 ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Virginia Western Community College Arboretum

Saturday, May 11, 9:00am - noon

A big thank you to each of you who helped to make our plant sale a success! Thanks for potting plants and for babysitting them, and for arising early on a Saturday to help set up. We really appreciate the plants you brought from your own gardens. Gail McFarlane and Bill Modica brought in record numbers of plants, both in the hundreds!

Special thanks go out to Mike Belcher, our unofficial chairman by virtue of his expertise and experience, who kept us organized and focused.

Our treasurer, Kathy Sink determined, "According to the net results from prior years, this is now the second highest net total achieved. The all-time high is \$3,347 from 2017."

At the checkout table Stew and I heard many enthusiastic compliments about our sale. Many voiced their appreciation of our knowledgeable members who worked on the "front line," advising customers on purchases. Others were enthusiastic about how well organized we were and how many beautiful plants we had. Some, who had apparently made the rounds of many sales, told us that this was the best they'd seen! All were invited back for next year's sale.

Plant Sale 2019 Profit/(Loss)	
Income from Plant Sale	\$ 6,315.00
Less: starting cash	200.00
Total Income as of May 30	\$ 6,115.00
Expenses	
Plants	2,567.04
Plant sale posters	52.65
Pots	159.18
Soil	350.51
Sales taxes	308.30
Total Expenses	\$ 3,437.68
Net Profit	\$ 2,677.32

Thanks to all!

Ellen
BRWS President

