

Wildflower Walk

Location: Murder Hole, Catawba

Date: April 10, 2010

Elevation: 1, 877 feet

Trip Leader: Butch and Betty Kelly

Weather: Sunny and warm

No. in Attendance: About 40

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 1. <u>Cat's Paw / Pussy toes</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. <u>Maple Leaf Viburnum</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. <u>Columbine</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. <u>Redbud trees</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. <u>Golden Ragwort</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 6. <u>Golden Alexander</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. <u>Trout Lily</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. <u>Blue Berries</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 9. <u>Rattlesnake Plantain</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. <u>Hepatica</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 11. <u>Cinquefoil</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 12. <u>Wild Geranium</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 13. <u>Black Cohosh</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 14. <u>Mayapples</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 15. <u>Walking Fern</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 16. <u>Cutleaf Toothwort</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 17. <u>Star Chickweed</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 18. <u>Christmas Fern</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 19. <u>Puddyroot leaves</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 20. <u>Long Spurred Violets</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 21. <u>Pennywort</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 22. <u>Virginia Creeper</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 23. <u>Hyspid Buttercup</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 24. <u>Showy orchis</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 25. <u>Spicebush</u> |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | 26. <u>Bellwort</u> |
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Driving Directions: Murder Hole, Catawba Valley, Botetourt County

See Google Map

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Notes:

- Marion McConnel and Husband Dan own the property. Dan was away that day.
- Ground is covered in Karsts, “ice-cream scoop” holes eroded by rain out of limestone ground.
- Caves’ temperature is usually area’s average year-round temp. In this area 54 degrees.
- Murde Hole is 234 feet deep and 1,500 feet long
- 4,600 caves in Va.
- A rope broke and killed a Va. Tec student rappelling into the hole in 1954 during a class.