







PRINCE WILLIAM WILDFLOWER SOCIETY, A Chapter of the Virginia Wildflower Preservation Society

ANNUAL MEETING

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SAT. SEPT. 28 1:00 - 3:30 PM

Bethel Lutheran Church Plantation Ln. & Sudley Rd., Manassas

AGENDA



1:00 pm Membership Renewals (form enclosed)

Register for door prizes

Plant Sale*

Seed Exchange*

Book & note card sales

1:30 pm Business Meeting

Election of Nominating Committee Members*

Awarding of door prizes

2:00 pm Refreshments

2:15 pm Program: "Wildflower Conservation",

Dr. Faith Campbell*

3:00 pm Plant Sale

Seed Exchange

Refreshments

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*Details on page 3

VWPS PHOTO CONTEST

The Third Annual VWPS Photo Contest is open to all Society members and the public. This year's theme is "Virginia Wildflowers in Nature". Entries can be color slides or mounted prints (minimum size 8 x 10). Maximum size including the mounting is 16 x 20. Fee is \$1 per entry and up to three entries can be submitted by each photographer.

Ribbons will be awarded at the VWPS Annual Meeting where the entries will be displayed. Entry deadline is Sept. 1. Contact Elaine Haug, 670-2347, for more info or mail to entries to her at 14814 Dillon Ave., Dale City, Va. 22193.

THANKS

Thanks to Jeannette Garrison for handling our display at the Prince William County Fair this year. We hope to get some new members since Jeannette reports that a lot of membership flyers and other materials were picked up from the display by fair-goers.

FALL PLANT SALE

Potowmack Chapter's Fall Wildflower Sale will be held Saturday, Oct. 5, noon till 3:00 pm at Green Spring Farm Park, Annandale. The sale is being held in conjunction with the Park's Mum Festival which will feature arts and crafts and mum sales. Rain date is Sunday, Oct. 6.

LIBRARY FOLDER

Our "Wildflower Lovers' Guide to the Prince William County Libraries" has been updated by Blair Christolon and reprinted. Copies will be available at the Annual Meeting and at the local libraries.

JULY MEETING

If you missed our past two Chapter July meetings you missed some "freebies". This year's speaker on "Species Iris" brought three plants for door prizes and the propagation committee provided one plant each of 1. cristata, I pseudacorus, and 1. versicolor.

Each person who attended last year's July meeting received a <u>Penstemon smallii</u>, a loverly perennial wildfower. Seedlings were given to the propagation committee by Mary Painter, VWPS President.

Make plans now to attend next year's July meeting. Who knows what we'll be giving away then!!



A FALL FAVORITE

PWWS Chapter member Kitty Arrington reported seeing goldenrod in beautiful arrangements at Olde Towne Flowers and Gifts' new Ambassador Square shop. Owner Roni Campbell says the goldenrod comes from Holland where it is grown for the florist trade though it is a native American species. She says she uses "lots of Queen Anne's lace in arrangements" as well as yarrow and a native aster.

The main garden feature of <u>Southern Living's</u> September issue is an article on goldenrods for the garden. The article makes it clear that goldenrod does not cause hayfever because its pollen is too heavy to become airborne.

Hope this raises your appreciation level for goldenrod. Marie Davis has always appreciated goldenrod and has three lovely species blooming in her garden now. Kitty Arrington has a crock filled with goldenrod, not from the florist (sorry, Roni) but collected from member Alice Johnson's farm.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Toni Cripps, a charter member of our Chapter who has been appointed Slide Collection Curator and Librarian of the VWPS.

BRING A GUEST

The Annual Meeting is is good opportunity to introduce prospective members to the Wildflower Society: an interesting program, books and plants for sale, free seeds, door prizes, refreshments. Dues paid now will cover the coming membership year through Oct. 1986. So round up your friends, neighbors, relatives and anyone interested in joining and bring them to the Annual Meeting.

VOTE FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Our Chapter nominating committee is composed of 3 at-large members and 2 members from the board of directors. The board members are appointed and the at-large members are elected by the membership. The committee serves a two-year term.

A new nominating committee will be elected this year. Nominees for the 3 at-large positions are Linda Dawes, Blythe Salamonowicz, and Roxetta Wyer.

A ballot is enclosed (2 for family memberships) for you to mark your approval or disapproval of the slate. Nominations will be accepted from the floor during the Annual Meeting.

If you can't attend the meeting please mail your ballot (along with your membership renewal) by Sept. 25 to:

Tom & Elaine Carrig, Membership Co-Chairmen 13305 Khans Rd.

Manassas, Va. 22111

Ballots will be available for members voting at the Annual Meeting.

VWPS ANNUAL MEETING REMINDER

Wintergreen Resort, Wintergreen, Va. Sunday, Sept. 15

9:00-11:00 am - Wildflower Walk

12:00 noon — Annual Meeting Speaker

Reception

Gala Auction

Details in special mailing and <u>Bulletin</u> recently mailed to each member by VWPS.

SEED EXCHANGE

The seed exchange has been a popular feature of our past annual meetings and this year's promises to be just as good.

Bring any seed you have collected to share with other members. However, this is not a strict 'exchange' since free seeds will be available to anyone as long as quantities last. Seeds of the old favorites such as columbine, blue and red lobelia, butterfly-weed, and purple coneflower will be available along with some species that will be new for us this year.

Call Nancy Arrington, Propagation Committee Chairman, 368-8431 (H) or 368-9711 (W) if you need envelopes for your seeds or if you have questions about the seed exchange.

ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM — WILDFLOWER CONSERVATION

Dr. Faith Campbell, our Annual Meeting speaker, is a botanish whose main concern is native plant conservation. She works for the Natural Resources Defense Council, and has served as VWPS Conservation Chair for two years.

Faith has been involved with conservation on both national and local levels. She helped write the Endangered Species Act, and recently was instrumental in getting the Small Whorled Pegonia listed as and endangered species in Virginia.

Plan to attend the Annual Meeting and learn what is being done and what we individually and as a group can do for the cause of wildflower conservation from one of the pros.



ANNUAL MEETING PLANT SALE

Our annual meeting plant sale will be a very small version of our spring plant sale. Plants will be available to annual meeting participants only, and the sale will not be open to the public. We will have a good variety of plants but a limited number of each species. There will be some new plants not offered at the spring sale including blackberry lily, yellow iris, New England aster, and white turtlehead.

Call Roxetta Wyer, Plant Sale Chairman, 361-8615 (H) or 368-8103 (W) if you can furnish plants for the sale.

From the Piedmont Chapter's recent newsletter . . .

WILDFLOWER MEADOW PROJECT

Two workdays, Sat. Sept. 7 and Sat. Sept. 21 (raindate for both days is the next day) have been scheduled for planting 2,500 seedlings at Great Meadow near The Plains. This is a regional VWPS and Piedmont Chapter venture and many hands are needed to get the job done. This is an excellent opportunity to learn first-hand about establishing a wildflower meadow. If you can help, call Deenya Greenland, 347-4010.

Time to renew your membership — use enclosed form

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