

Shenandoah Chapter Virgi Shenandoah Chapter Society Virginia Native Plant Society November 2010

Mission Statement:

We are a conservation organization dedicated to conserve Virginia's native plants and their ecosystems through education, advocacy and activities that promote appreciation, stewardship and appropriate use.

Next Meeting: November 11, 7:30 at Blue Ridge Community College (BRCC), Weyers Cave Campus, Plecker Center Room 126C

Program: Member Joe Sharrer will present "A Travel Log of the Great Deserts of the Southwest."

Join us for a tour of the Great Deserts of the Southwest USA. We will start in Tucson and end in Death Valley with many stops along the way including a date farm, the Salton Sea and for variety a side trips including one to the snow covered peaks overlooking Palm Springs CA. Topics include geology, archaeology and field botany. Tour directors are Joe and Page. Hiking gear not required!

Note: In December there will be no Chapter meeting or newsletter. Next meeting will be January 13, 2011.

Donations

The board approved donations for the following organizations: BRCC/Arboretum \$100, Riverfest \$50, Staunton Earth Day \$50 and the Flora of Virginia Project \$2000. The Flora donation was divided in two segments: \$1700 as a donation for years 2009 and 2010 and \$300 in memory of Chapter members who have died, Carol Gardener, Chuck Auckerman, Jacob Kagey and Vernon Garber. The Chapter financial report will be included in the January newsletter.

If you have announcements, articles or reviews for the newsletter (no matter how short), please contact Elaine Smith antigone 16@comcast.net