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LNPS Annual Meeting

February 1st—3rd, 2013 Camp Hardtner, Pollock, LA

For the eighth year, LNPS members will return to Camp Hardtner, located in the piney woods of central Louisiana, north of Pollock, LA. Fishing is available in the pond at the Camp and there is a wonderful deck that overlooks the pond where visiting and drinking coffee will be very nice. No boats are allowed, and alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the grounds. The costs for lodging and food are shown on page 3. Please indicate which nights you will be staying. **Submit registration form with payment to Jackie Duncan no later than January 25th.**

Friday, February 1st

5:00 p.m. – Registration, potluck dinner (bring your favorite dish), visiting, book sales, plant swapping, and bring your favorite slides from the past year for our viewing pleasure. Laptop and projector will be provided.

Saturday, February 2nd

7:30 a.m. – Breakfast. Registration continues.

9:00 a.m. - Program I: “Management of Special Sites, Including Saline and Calcareous Prairies” by Alan Boyd. Alan has a B.S. in Wildlife Conservation and a B.S. in Forestry-Wildlife - both from Louisiana Tech University. He also earned his M.S. in Life Sciences from Louisiana Tech University. His thesis was “A Survey of the Vascular Flora of East Feliciana Parish Louisiana.” During his forestry career he has worked as a timber cruiser, a resource information specialist and as a research forester. He currently works for Weyerhaeuser, where he manages ecologically special sites and Red Cockaded woodpecker populations.

9:40 a.m. – Break. #

9:50 a.m. – Program II: “An Educational and Community-driven Approach to Restoring Invaded Habitats in Louisiana” by Dr. Forrest Dillemoth. Forrest has a B.S.

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- Bob Dillemoth, *President*
- Bud Willis, *Vice-President*
- Beth Erwin, *Secretary*
- Jackie Duncan, *Treasurer*
- Chris Reid, *Past President*
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from LSU in Fish and Wildlife Conservation and he recently completed his PhD at LSU in Biological Sciences. His thesis was the invasion of smooth brome into North American tall-grass prairies: Impact on native plant/herbivore species and mechanisms responsible for successful invasion. While at LSU he participated as part of a team that worked with students as part of a service learning project to give them hands on experience in managing invasive plants, learn the scientific process, interact with their community and gain an ecological perspective concerning native habitats. This activity took place in the Bluebonnet Swamp, a 103 acre Cypress-tupelo swamp surrounded by urban development in East Baton Rouge Parish.

10:30 am - Break.

10:45 am - Business Meeting.

11:45 am - Break, shopping

12:00 pm - Lunch

1:00 p.m. - Program III: “The Flora of Southeast Louisiana, a Paradise of Rare and Unusual Plants” Dr. Charles Allen. Dr. Allen is a long time friend of the Louisiana Native plant society, a charter member and past president. He is a senior Botanist with Colorado State University stationed at Fort Polk, Louisiana. He is co-author of the recently published *Louisiana Wildflower Guide, Edible Plants of the Gulf South, Trees, Shrubs and Woody vines of Louisiana and Grasses of Louisiana*. Dr. Allen frequently gives talks and conducts field trips throughout the south on Edible plants, Butterfly Gardening, Prairie and Wildflowers.

1:50 p.m. –Native Plant Auction!!!

Sunday, February 3rd

8:30 a.m. – Morning field trip departing from Camp Hardtner. In years past we’ve gone to the Croker Study site, a high-quality stand of Longleaf Pine. This year we thought we’d try something different and investigate a riparian area, spring-run and high-quality baygall found in 2012 by Chris Reid. Led by Charles Allen, Jackie Duncan and Dave Moore.

Directions to field trip site:

From the Camp Hardtner dining room, travel north on Camp Hardtner road for about 2 miles »» Turn left at the dumpsters onto Grover Atwell road »» Continue on Grover Atwell road for about 1.8 miles to U.S. Hwy 165 »» Go west across U.S. Hwy 165 onto LA Hwy 123 »» Travel west on LA Hwy 123 (lots of curves – go slow and stay on the blacktop!) for about 6.3 miles to Forest Service road 145 »» Turn right onto FS road 145. We will park on the roadside about 200 yards north of LA Hwy 123. The area we will be investigating is rolling land – not too hilly. Hiking difficulty is moderate. We will be looking at a high quality baygall, spring –run, riparian forest, and open, longleaf pine woodland.

Bring water and a sack lunch.



«« Northern Burmannia
(*Burmannia biflora*)

2 diminutive plants found in baygalls—both in the Family
Burmanniaceae

Nodding Nixie »»
(*Apteria aphylla*)



Directions:

Camp Hardtner’s address is 2393 Camp Hardtner Rd., Pollock, LA 71467-4183.

It is located to the east of U.S. Highway 165, eight miles north of Pollock in Grant Parish.

The entrances to the side road that loops to the camp are near Mile Markers 103 and 109 on U.S. Hwy. 165. The loop is about 8 miles long and the Camp is midway, literally straddling the road. The loop is rough, so travel cautiously.



2013 Annual Meeting Registration Form

		<u>Remittance</u>	
Registration at Hargrove Hall		_____	
		Free	
Saturday Meals:		_____	
Breakfast	\$7.00/person (7:30 am)	_____	
Lunch	\$8.00/person (noon)	_____	
Dinner	Leftovers (5:30 pm)	_____	
Lodging:		_____	
Holy Day Inn	\$50 single; \$65 double/night	_____	
Please indicate which nights you will be staying:			
Friday	<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/>
Annual Dues (membership form on page 5):		_____	
	TOTAL	_____	

Please submit your registration and payment by January 25, 2013. checks payable to LNPS.

SEND TO:

Jackie Duncan, 114 Harper Ferry Road, Boyce, LA 71409

Gulf States Mycological Society Winter Foray

The Gulf States Mycological Society held its annual winter foray at Camp Hardtner, near Pollack LA, the site of the annual LNPS meeting for the past several years. The meeting was held from November 30 through December 2, 2012. Participants traveled from many states to search for Louisiana mushrooms. Forays were made to the Croker Study Site in the KNF, other sites in the Kisatchie National Forest, and the grounds of Camp Hardtner. Although conditions were drier than normal, about 60 species of fungi were collected and identified by professional and amateur mycologists. A few species found need more taxonomic work to confirm their identification, so we will see what develops. We thank Jason, Mandy and all the staff at Camp Hardtner for their efforts to make this a memorable foray.

David & Patricia Lewis

Capitol Area Native Plant Society

It's an exciting time to be a wildflower in the Capital! Thanks to the organizing efforts of Betty Miley of Maypop Hill Nursery, a local chapter of LNPS is now forming to serve the Greater Baton Rouge Area. The Capitol Area Native Plant Society (CANPS) convened for the first time on November 11, 2012. Members then decided to meet once a month to share native seeds and to organize various learning opportunities for members and the surrounding community. At the second meeting on December 9, attendees received several plants as door prizes courtesy of Rick Webb and heard from Rita Salman of the Baton Rouge Herb Society. CANPS members also elected interim co-presidents Matthew Herron and Lauren Hull to guide the group forward in its early stages. Matthew Herron, a Livingston Parish native, is currently a graduate student researching bottomland forest ecology and restoration at ULM. Lauren Hull works with LSU AgCenter's Youth Wetlands Program and with Tickfaw State Park as an interpretive ranger. The two will be working hard in the coming months to establish a foundation for CANPS and organize local outings, lectures and workshops with botanists and other professionals.

The next CANPS meeting is on January 27, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at the Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center (BSNC). There, BSNC director Clair Coco will speak briefly about partnering with BREC work on conservation projects in exchange for a free meeting space. Afterwards, members will discuss native plant resources currently being developed for CANPS members and the Greater Baton Rouge community. Later, attendees will join Lauren and Matthew on a hike through Bluebonnet Swamp to learn the many joys of winter plant identification. For a complete agenda or to join the mailing list for updates, write Matthew at matthew.s.herron@gmail.com. You can also follow CANPS on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/CapitalAreaNativePlantSociety>), or if you want to get really involved, join the Google Group by sending an email to the following address: br-capital-area-native-plant-society@googlegroups.com

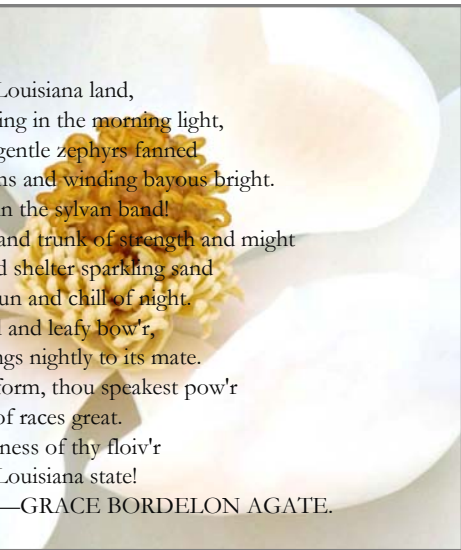
Upcoming Events

February 1-3, 2013	LNPS Annual Meeting, Camp Hardtner
March 14, 2013	Edible Plants-Charles Allen, Pack and Paddle, Lafayette
April 6, 2013	Edible Plants-Charles Allen, Picayune, MS
April 13, 2013	Cajun Prairie Meeting, Eunice
May 11, 2013	Edible Plant Talk-Charles Allen, Wild Birds Unlimited, Lafayette
May 17-19, 2013	Annual Bogs, Birds, Baygalls, Butterflies etc., Fort Polk area
August 16-18, 2013	Annual Bogs, Birds, Baygalls, Butterflies etc., Fort Polk area
September 27-29, 2013	Annual Butterfly Blast, Allen Acres

THE MAGNOLIA

O, fragrant flou'r of Louisiana land,
 White petaled, gleaming in the morning light,
 Thy perfume by the gentle zephyrs fanned
 Makes sweet the plains and winding bayous bright.
 A monarch art thou in the sylvan band!
 Thy glist'ning leaves and trunk of strength and might
 Clothe barren hill and shelter sparkling sand
 Against the midday sun and chill of night.
 Sequestered in thy cool and leafy bow'r,
 The mocking bird sings nightly to its mate.
 Through majesty of form, thou speakest pow'r
 Unto a people born of races great.
 The purity and sweetness of thy flouiv'r
 Make it the pride of Louisiana state!

—GRACE BORDELON AGATE.



Did you know that one of the largest living organisms in the world is a fungus? Scientists have estimated that a single specimen of a type of Honey Fungus (*Armillaria solidipes*) found in the Malheur National Forest in Oregon has been growing for about 2,400 years, covers about 3.4 square miles, may weight as much as 605 tons, and is named the "Humongous Fungus." If this colony is considered a single organism, then it is the largest known organism in the world by area, and rivals the aspen grove "Pando" as the known organism with the highest living biomass.

LNPS Membership Form

Membership Form:

Checks payable to LNPS.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Annual Dues: Student/Senior \$5 _____ Individual \$10 _____ Family \$15 _____

Organization \$25 _____ Sustaining \$50 _____ Corporate \$100 _____

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The Louisiana Native Plant Society was founded in 1983 as a state-wide, non-profit organization. Its purposes are to preserve and study native plants and their habitats, to educate people on the value of native plants and the need to preserve and protect rare and endangered species, to promote the propagation and use of native plants in the landscape, and to educate people on the relationship between our native flora and wildlife.

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