LNPS News

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LNPS Winter Meeting

The Louisiana Native Plant Society will hold its 20th annual meeting at Camp Grant Walker near Pollock, La., February 8-9, 2003. The meeting offers a wonderful time of visiting and fellowship with plant folks, opportunities to learn about preserving &

promoting native plants, and making new friends.

Original plans were to have the meeting at Briarwood, the Caroline Dormon Nature Preserve, on the last weekend in January. However, due to scheduling difficulties and the size of the group, we were not able to have it there. Our usual weekends were already taken at Camp Grant Walker, therefore the meeting had to be moved to February to meet at the camp. Tracey Banowitz has done an outstanding job planning the meet-

ing.

Due to the number of options available to attendees for accommodations and food, we are asking that you pre-register/pay if at all possible. This should give you more time to visit and shop for plants, books, etc. and help us with the bookkeeping. Our registration fee covers the cost of the liability insurance we are required to carry and facility rental. Options and prices for the meals and accommodations are listed on the inside back pages of this publication. If you choose not to stay or eat at the camp, be prepared to drive for food and hotels. The nearest hotels are in the Pineville/ Alexandria area. We encourage all vendors of plants, books, herb stuff, t-shirts, etc. to bring items to sell and/or trade in our market.

Since it is our 20th anniversary, we will have a party Saturday night. There are plans for music and dancing. We have received permission to have alcohol on the

campus, so it will be BYOB.

In Passing.....

Ben Martin, former LNPS president, sent word that Beulah Bergeron, a charter member of the LNPS from Alexandria, had passed away at the age of 90. Mrs. Beulah was a fixture at the annual winter meetings, and helped host the meeting during the years that it was held on the campus of LSU-Alexandria. She was an avid gardener, very knowledgeable on native plants, and a delightful lady to visit with.

LNPS also extends sympathy to Fred Christian in the loss of his brother this year.

From the president.

Due to health reasons, Dr. R. Dale Thomas resigned his position as LNPS President this past summer. Both he and his wife have since successfully undergone treatment for cancer this year. However, in mid-November, he suffered a heart attack, and subsequently had bypass surgery. Since that time, he has some further complications on the road to recovery, including a couple more hospital visits. He is in his office at the herbarium occasionally and is recovering. Jim Culpepper, LNPS vice-president, has taken over presidential duties.

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LNPS 2003 Winter Meeting Schedule

SATURDAY

Registration & Plant Shopping		9 AM		
Rare & Endangered Plants of Louisiana	Chris Reid	10:30		
Lunch & Plant Shopping		11:30		
Business Meeting		12:30 PM		
Using Native Plants in the Suburban Landscape	Brian Tamulonis	1:30		
Kisatchie National Forest Update	Jim Caldwell	2:30		
Break		3:30		
Wetland Restoration	Peter Loos	3:45		
Adjourn		4.45		
Dinner/Slides/Party		5:30		
SUNDAY				
Breakfast		8 AM		
Assemble for Field		9 AM		

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Assemble for Field Trip	9 AM

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Accommodations: Men's or Women's dorms with bunk beds, bring your own linens and earplugs, Showers/bathroom facilities in separate buildings. \$5 per bed per night. Food:

Lunch in Cafeteria Saturday—\$5 per person. Roast beef poboys, baked potato, full salad bar and fruit

Dinner in Cafeteria Saturday—\$6 per person Red Beans and Rice, Steamed Broccoli, Salad, Cornbread, Fruit Cobbler

Breakfast in Cafeteria Sunday—\$4 per person. eggs, sausage, fruit, bread and coffee

Meal reservations MUST be returned by January 17, 2003

Directions

Camp Grant Walker is the LSU Ag Center 4-H camp. It is located 2 miles east of US 165, near Pollock. People coming from the south, take U.S. 165 north out of Alexandria. Just after the highway narrows from 4-lane to 2-lane, turn right onto La. 8, go about 2 miles to the camp.

For people coming from the north, after you pass through Pollock about 1/4 mile south of the railroad overpass turn left onto La. 8, go \pm 2 miles to the camp. If you are coming from the east, take La. 8 in Jena and drive southwest \pm 19 miles, to the camp.

Send completed reservation form and check for appropriate amount to:

Jackie Duncan, LNPS treasurer 114 Harpers Ferry Road Boyce, LA 71409

Ouestions? Contact Jackie Duncan at above address. or ph. (318) 793-8064, or email: jduncan@fs.fed.us

ATTENTION!!!!

PLANT VENDORS, TRADERS, & PURVEYORS OF THINGS OF INTEREST TO PLANT FOLKS: BRING YOUR WARES TO THE FEBRUARY LNPS MEETING!!!

Rec	Registration Form	
	Registration fee \$8 x	
Names/titles & area of habitation as you wish them to appear on your name tag/meal ticket:	Lodging \$5 x	
	Saturday lunch \$5 x	
	Saturday dinner \$6 x	
	Sunday breakfast \$4 x	
	You may choose to include your dues renewal at	wal at
	Annual dues: check one	
	Student/Senior \$5 Individual \$10_	\$10
	Family \$15 Organization \$25	25
Phone or email:	Sustaining \$50 Corporate \$100	\$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.
- to educate people on the relationship between our native flora and wildlife.

Are Your Dues Due?

Check your mailing label. If the number above your name is highlighted, your dues are due with this issue. Please send your dues to Jackie Duncan, 114 Harpers Ferry Road, Boyce, LA 71409-9716. **DO NOT SEND DUES TO THE NEWSLETTER ADDRESS!!!** Remember to send your change of address. The newsletter is sent bulk mail, and will not be forwarded.

Student/Sr. Citizen	\$5	Individual	\$10
Family	\$ 15	Organization	\$25
Sustaining	\$50	Corporate	\$100

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Registration for Winter Meeting: Deadline Jan. 17, 2003