

NATIVE NEWS

Northwest Chapter of the Louisiana Native Plant Society

March 2005

Native Plant Sale

6:00 PM, Thursday, March 24, 2005

Highland Center

520 Olive Street

Corner of Highland Avenue and Olive Street

Please bring your plants for sale and help set up at 5:00 p.m. Sale begins at 6:00 p.m. No early sales will be permitted.

Please keep this notice of future meetings!

<i>March Meeting</i>	<i>April Meeting</i>	<i>May Meeting</i>
<i>Plant Sale Highland Center</i>	<i>April 28 2005 7:00 PM</i>	<i>Covered Dish Supper and Plant Swap</i>
<i>March 24, 2005 6:00 PM</i>	<i>Room 217, Mickle Hall Centenary College</i>	<i>May 26, 2005</i>
<i>5:00 PM Set up plants – Need help</i>	<i>New presentation on Caroline Dorman and Briarwood by Jessie and Richard Johnson</i>	<i>Walter B. Jacobs Memorial Nature Park</i>
<i>Clean up after sale – Need more help</i>	<i>You don't want to miss this one!</i>	<i>Covered dish supper at 6:00 PM followed by the plant swap – come early and enjoy the park</i>
		<i>Call the Nature Park (929-2806) for directions</i>

Membership Renewal

It is time once again to pay membership dues to the Northwest Chapter. Individual memberships are **\$8.00** per person, and family memberships cost **\$12.00**. Please pay at the March plant sale, or send your dues to **Ella Price, Treasurer at P. O. Box 393, Blanchard, LA 71009**.

Future of the Northwest Chapter

Our meetings have been suffering due to lack of attendance. If we are to continue as an organization, people need to step forward and volunteer to hold an elective office. We currently need volunteers for all elected positions – president, vice-president/program chair, secretary, and someone to train with Ella to take over as treasurer someday. These and other issues will be discussed at the April or May meeting.

Mother's Day Wildflower Hike

Saturday, May 7, 2005 – 10:00 a.m.

Retired senior park naturalist, Fred Christian, will lead an easy 1 ½ to 2 hour hike in Walter B. Jacobs Memorial Nature Park to discover the park's wildflowers. The hike is suitable for all ages. Please wear long pants and closed-toe shoes. Bring insect repellent and backpacks to carry babies/toddlers.

Those who visit the park now (**March**) can see Spring Beauty, Mayapple, Bloodroot, Trout Lily, Spring Cress, Yellow Jessamine, and many other early spring bloomers. The park is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday – Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Call 318-929-2806 for more information.

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