

Whitmire Wildflower Garden

June 10, 2024

For a group that usually searches high and low for any sign of flowers, this was a dream come true. There were flowers all over – a tsunami of flowers – way too many for a species list. Below are just a few of the plants that we paid special attention to. They're listed not in alphabetical order, but rather in the sequence in which we found them as we walked along the rich, circuitous path that Prem and John chose for us.

	BOTANICAL NAME (listed sequentially as we found them)	FAMILY [CC] = Coefficient of Conservatism	COMMON NAME
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Cladrastis kentukea</i> () (klad-DRASS-tiss)	Fabaceae [CC10]	Yellowwood
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Callirhoe involucrata</i> (kal-lr-RO-ee)	Malvaceae [CC5]	Purple Poppy Mallow / Winecup
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Coreopsis pubescens</i> (kor-ee-OPP-sis)	Asteraceae (Coreopsideae tribe) [CC7]	Star Coreopsis
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Erysimum capitatum</i> (er-RISS-i-mum)	Brassicaceae [CC8]	Western Wallflower
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Spigelia marilandica</i> (spy-JEE-lee-uh)	Loganiaceae [CC8]	Indian Pink
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Cotinus obovatus</i> () (ko-TY-nuss)	Anacardiaceae [CC9]	American Smoke Tree
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Amsonia tabernaemontana</i> (am-SO-nee-uh)	Apocynaceae [CC6]	Bluestar
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Ceanothus americanus</i> (see-uh-NO-thus)	Rhamnaceae [CC7]	New Jersey Tea
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Helianthus salicifolius</i> (hee-lee-ANN-thus)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [CC8]	Willowleaf Sunflower
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Silene stellata</i> (sy-LEE-nee)	Caryophyllaceae [CC5]	Starry Campion
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Verbesina helianthoides</i> (vr-beh-SEE-nuh)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [CC5]	Yellow Crownbeard
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Actaea racemosa</i> (ak-TEE-uh)	Ranunculaceae [CC7]	Black Cohosh
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Arnoglossum atriplicifolium</i> (awr-no-GLOSS-um)	Asteraceae (Senecioneae tribe) [CC4]	Pale Indian Plantain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Arnoglossum reniforme</i> (awr-no-GLOSS-um)	Asteraceae (Senecioneae tribe) [CC8]	Great Indian Plantain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i> (trad-eh-SKANT-ee-uh)	Commelinaceae [CC3]	Ohio Spiderwort
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Tradescantia subaspera</i> (trad-eh-SKANT-ee-uh)	Commelinaceae [CC8]	ZigZag Spiderwort
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Homalosorus pycnocarpos</i> (ho-MAL-o-SOR-us)	Diplasiopsidaceae [CC10]	Narrow-Leaved Glade Fern
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Phlox paniculata</i> (FLOCKS)	Polemoniaceae [CC3]	Garden Phlox
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Aruncus dioicus</i> () (uh-RUNK-us)	Rosaceae [CC6]	Goatsbeard
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> (uh-THEER-ee-um)	Athyriaceae [CC8]	Lady Fern
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> (my-ANN-the-mum)	Asparagaceae [CC4]	Solomon's Plume
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Stylophorum diphyllum</i> (sty-LOFF-or-um)	Papaveraceae [CC7]	Celandine Poppy
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Geranium maculatum</i> (jr-RAY-nee-um)	Geraniaceae [CC5]	Wild Geranium
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Solidago drummondii</i> (so-lid-DAY-go)	Asteraceae (Astereae tribe) [CC8]	Cliff Goldenrod
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i> (SILL-fee-um)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [CC5]	Prairie Dock
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Taenidia integerrima</i> (teh-NIDD-ee-uh)	Apiaceae [CC6]	Yellow Pimpernel

<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Arisaema dracontium</i> (ayr-eh-SEE-muh)	Araceae [CC6]	Green Dragon
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Melanthium virginicum</i> () (mel-ANN-thee-um)	Melanthiaceae [CC9]	Bunchflower
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> (uh-SKLEE-pee-us)	Apocynaceae [CC5]	Butterflyweed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Berlandiera texana</i> (br-LANN-dee-EER-uh)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [CC5]	Texas Green Eyes
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Carex grayi</i> (CARE-x)	Cyperaceae [CC7]	Gray's Sedge / Mace Sedge
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i> (vr-ron-ik-KASS-strum)	Plantaginaceae [CC7]	Culver's Root
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Filipendula rubra</i> () (fill-lip-PEN-dyoo-luh)	Rosaceae [CC10]	Queen of the Prairie
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Lonicera maackii</i> (lo-NISS-r-uh)	Caprifoliaceae [intro]	Bush Honeysuckle
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> (KWERK-us)	Fagaceae [CC4]	Bur Oak
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> (o-NO-klee-uh)	Onocleaceae [CC6]	Sensitive Fern
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Glandularia canadensis</i> (gland-yoo-LAYR-ee-uh)	Verbenaceae [CC5]	Rose Verbena
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> () (mat-TOO-see-uh / struth-ee-o-TAYR-iss)	Onocleaceae [CC8]	Ostrich Fern
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Silene regia</i> (sy-LEE-nee)	Caryophyllaceae [CC9]	Royal Catchfly
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Vernonia arkansana</i> (vr-NO-nee-uh)	Asteraceae (Vernonieae tribe) [CC7]	Curlytop Ironweed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Thalictrum revolutum</i> (thuh-LICK-trum)	Ranunculaceae [CC5]	Waxy-Leaf Meadow Rue
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Pycnanthemum pilosum</i> (pik-NANN-thuh-mum)	Lamiaceae (Nepetoideae subfamily) [CC5]	Hairy Mountainmint
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Scrophularia marilandica</i> (skro-foo-LAYR-ee-uh)	Scrophulariaceae [CC3]	Figwort
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Blephilia hirsuta</i> (bleh-FILL-ee-uh)	Lamiaceae (Nepetoideae subfamily) [CC7]	Hairy Pagoda Plant / Wood Mint
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Eutrochium purpureum</i> (yoo-TRO-kee-um)	Asteraceae (Eupatorieae tribe) [CC6]	Sweet (or Purple) Joe Pye Weed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Ribes missouriense</i> (RY-beez)	Grossulariaceae [CC3]	Missouri Gooseberry
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Ulmus rubra</i> (UL-muss)	Ulmaceae [CC5]	Slippery Elm / Red Elm
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Thalia dealbata</i> (THAY-lee-uh)	Marantaceae [CC8]	Thalia
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Sium suave</i> (SY-um)	Apiaceae [CC6]	Water Parsnip
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Ilex opaca</i> (EYE-lex)	Aquifoliaceae [CC7]	American Holly

It was a very pleasant morning. The flowers of Queen of the Prairie, *Spigelia*, and Black Cohosh were especially beautiful today. And the Purple Poppy Mallow flowers were everywhere.

PARTICIPANTS:

There were 21 of us botanists today, who are (in alphabetical order):

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