Chapter Meeting Minutes

Boone’s Lick Chapter

Missouri Master Naturalists

April 12, 2018 @ 6:30pm

MU Extension Office

PROGRAM: “Bird Point Monitoring Project at Eagle Bluffs Conservation Area” was presented by Clayton Light, MDC Wildlife Biologist and Resource Manager at Eagle Bluffs CA.

This program has been approved for 1 hour of Advanced Training. Advanced Training does not require a timesheet code. The timesheet code for service/travel time is ADM.

BUSINESS MEETING:

OLD BUSINESS:

2. Lanyards for Sale: Will be available at the May meeting for $3.00
3. Suzanne Wright reminded members about the Wine for Wetlands, Ducks Unlimited event this Saturday. Tickets may be bought via the DU website or contact Suzanne.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Need Sweets for May meeting – A sign-up sheet was sent around. June will be a picnic and December will be a potluck.
2. Migratory Bird Count will be Saturday May 12th – meet at Home Depot at 6:45am (Suzanne) To participate, e-mail Sally.
3. There will be a statewide mentoring call with 2 members from every Chapter to discuss problems, solutions and other things. Linda and Phil will be representing us on that call. Other items under discussion by leadership include:
   a. Officer duties are being reviewed to balance the work load
   b. Membership retention and involvement
   c. Possibly a Membership Committee
4. There will be a Native Plant sale this Saturday at Bradford Farms. There are some educational activities, too but AT and Vol Opps have not been submitted yet.
5. April 21st is Earth Day – MN will have a booth at the event; volunteers can contact Chris Egbert
6. Master Gardeners Projects – Donna Puleo and Brenda McGavock
   a. Fun Family Fishing Night needs volunteers. This activity has been approved for Vol Opp hours.
      2nd Friday of May, June, July, and August; from 6:00-8:00 pm.
b. Jefferson Farms Butterfly Festival will be one weekend this year, June 23rd and 24th. 10 am – 4 pm. There will be a charge for vendors this year, so please direct interested parties to Donna Puleo

c. Monarch Way Station – the Master Gardeners are looking for seed donations and would like to partner with Master Naturalists

d. Docent training for the Butterfly House will be in May

REPORTS:

Treasurer: Linda Karns: MMNTreasurer@gmail.com

We have $1,653.61 in the club account and $3,582.34 in the class account.

Advanced Training Committee: Linda Karns, MMNTrain@gmail.com

To find out if an event has been approved to count for Advanced Training, please check the chapter calendar on our website: http://extension.missouri.edu/boone/mncalendar.aspx

If you would like to request an event to be approved as Advanced Training, please complete an Advanced Training Approval Form in advance, you can find the form at this link: http://extension.missouri.edu/boone/mnadvtraining.aspx

Upcoming Advanced Training Opportunities include:
- Callery Pear Event - April 13th – Missouri Invasive Task Force @ South Providence MB
- Spring Wildflower Walks at RBMSP are at 5:30 on Thursdays until May 10th
- Saturday Science; Microbes: A Plant’s Friends and Foes will be April 28th at the Bond Life Sciences Center
- Prairie Garden Trust (http://prairiegardentrust.org) will be doing a bird walk at 7:00 am on April 28th. Check their website as they prefer you register. They also hold Saturday Strolls the second Saturday of the month at 9:00 am through October 13th.

Hospitality: Sally Swanson, sal@socket.net

- Sign-up sheet sent around; next month is covered

Public Relations Committee Chris Egbert, MMNPublicRelations@gmail.com

- Butterfly Festival – we have a booth reserved
- We will have a booth at Earth Day. Contact Chris to volunteer for either event.

Training Committee: Suzanne Wright, suzwright7002@gmail.com

- We are unable to offer training for a new class of Master Naturalists this year, but we will have training in 2019.
Volunteer Opportunities & Project Approval Committee Phil Knocke, MMNVolOpps@gmail.com

- Clean up Columbia is this Saturday.
- Missouri River Days will be April 17th – 250 school children will do science on the Missouri River. If you are interested in this opportunity, please email Kristen Schulte, the Education Director at kristen@riverrelief.org with your preferred day and time.
- Rock Bridge Renew will be this Saturday from 8:30-noon (pizza will be served!)

NEXT MEETING: Thursday May 10th at 6:30pm at the Extension Office; The Prairie Fork Project  
Presented by Chris Newbold, Natural History Biologist MDC

Thanks to Suzanne Wright for Chairing the meeting tonight!

A Check for $896.00 was presented to Kent Shannon for the Extension Center; proceeds from the December Silent Auction.

Photo courtesy of Cindy Squire

In attendance (33)

MEETING MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:
Lori Johnson, Secretary, Boone’s Lick Chapter  4/16/2018