



Annual Meeting Invitation!

Members and non-members are welcome to attend!

DATE: Saturday, August 8, 2009

TIME: 9am-4pm

LOCATION: (refer to map) MacKenzie Environmental Education Center, W7303 County Road CS&Q, Poynette, WI 53955; telephone: 608.635.8105.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- 9:00 – Meet at the MacKenzie Center; carpool about 5-minutes to Rocky Run State Natural Area.
- 9:15-11:30 – Field trip to Rocky Run State Natural area led by WDNR Biologist Craig Anderson.
- 12:00-1:15 – Catered lunch at the MacKenzie Center.
- 1:15-2:30 – Presentation by Dr. Emmet Judziewicz of UW-Stevens Point on his recent trip to Australia and New Zealand: *Spring Wildflowers in the Merry, Very Old Land of Oz*
- 2:45-3:00 – Annual election of officers; botany blitz updates; adjournment.
- 3:00-4:00 – Tour MacKenzie Center grounds at your leisure.

Please detach form and mail along with registration/lunch payment by July 15.



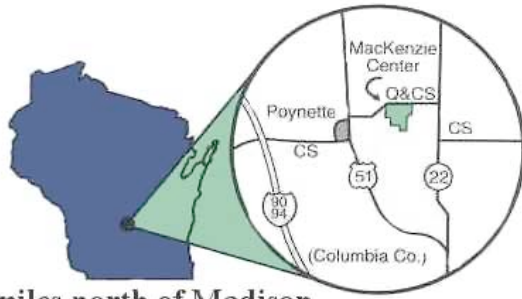
Name:
Address:
City:
State/Zip code:

_____ Number of people attending

_____ Total registration/lunch amount enclosed (\$15/individual or \$25/couple)

Please mail registration form **by July 15** along with a check for registration/lunch (payable to Botanical Club of Wisconsin) to: David Seils
4334 Timber Dr.
Colgate, WI 53017

For more information contact David Seils: springer@nconnect.net



**25 miles north of Madison
in Columbia County**

The MacKenzie Environmental Education Center is located just 25 miles north of Madison, WI on County Road CS & Q in Columbia County

From Madison: Take Hwy 51 north out of Madison. When you reach North Leeds, WI continue straight onto Hwy 22 North. Turn left onto County Road CS. The main entrance to MEEC will be on your left. (~0.5 hour drive from the east side of Madison)

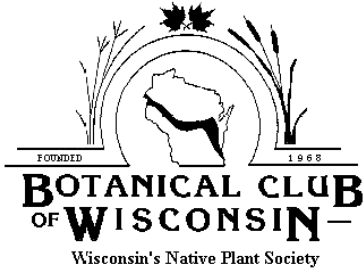
From Milwaukee: Take Hwy 90/94 west. When you reach Madison, take Hwy 51 north out of Madison. When you reach North Leeds, WI continue straight onto Hwy 22 north. Turn Left onto County Road CS. The main entrance to MEEC will be on your left. (~1.5 hour drive from downtown Milwaukee)

Rocky Run Oak Savanna SNA No. 220: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/LAND/er/sna/sna220.htm>

Location: Within Rocky Run Fishery Area, Columbia County. T11N-R9E, Section 1. T11N-R10E, Sections 5, 6. T12N-R10E, Sections 31, 32. 441 acres.

Access: From the intersection of State Highways 16 and 22 south of Wyocena, go south on 22 1.9 miles to the Rocky Run Fishery Area parking area west of the road. Walk west and south on an access lane 0.7-mile into the area. Or continue south on 22 another 1.3 miles, then west on County B 1.5 mile, then north on Dunning Road 0.5 mile to a Rocky Run Fishery Area parking area east of the road. Walk east along the access lane, then north across Rocky Run Creek into the natural area.

Description: Rocky Run Savanna occupies widely differing topography on a south-facing slope above Rocky Run Creek. The eastern portion is gently rolling, while the west is very steep and dissected containing two sheer-walled box canyons cut through the Cambrian sandstone. As the topography varies so does the bur, white, and black oak savanna canopy structure. The canopy is open on the upper slopes and nearly closed on the relatively flat lower slope with open grown oaks and scattered groves of oak, hickory, black cherry, and red cedar interspersed with prairie. Dominant grasses are little blue-stem, Indian grass, and side-oats grama. The variation in topography, shading, and soils provides for a mosaic of groundlayer species. More than 100 species with prairie affinities have been recorded including many rare plants such as woolly milkweed (*Asclepias lanuginosa*), Hill's thistle (*Cisium hillii*), prairie false dandelion (*Agoseris cuspidata*), and Flodman's thistle (*Cirsium flodmanii*). The dry, sandy conditions also support a notable concentration of rare animals including slender glass lizard (*Ophisaurus attenuatus*), Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*), field sparrow (*Spizella pusilla*), vesper sparrow (*Poocetes gramineus*), dog-face butterfly (*Colias cesonia*), coral hairstreak (*Harkenclenus titus*), and Reakert's blue (*Hemiargus isola*). Management activities of brushing and prescribed burns are needed to help maintain and restore the oak opening. Rocky Run Savanna is owned by the DNR and was designated a State Natural Area in 1988.



Ballot



BCW OFFICERS FOR ONE YEAR TERM: August 15, 2009 – August 15, 2010

Ballot to be filled out by BCW members only

PRESIDENT: _____ Thomas Eddy
_____ Write-in candidate: _____

VICE _____ Sarah Braun
PRESIDENT: _____ Write-in candidate: _____

SECRETARY: _____ Theodore Cochrane
_____ Write-in candidate: _____

TREASURER: _____ Janet Battista
_____ Write-in candidate: _____



Please mail by **August 1** to:

T. L. Eddy
426 Walker Avenue
Green Lake, WI 54941