



The Shooting Star

NEWSLETTER

of the
Illinois Native Plant Society – Southern Chapter

JANUARY 2011



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2011 Officer Elections - Results

The ballots have been counted and the results are official. Four new board members have been elected and are ready to assume their roles. The first order of business is to have our first quarterly board meeting on January 12th. All are welcome to attend. All board meetings will be held at 5pm in room 425 of the Life Sciences II bldg at SIUC. We also ask that you **PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIPS!** There were many excellent programs and outings last year and your support is crucial for us to continue to organize quality events. See the flyer on the following page!

Note the new logo - special thanks to Carie Nixon, Graphic Designer at the Illinois Natural History Survey who worked with Chris Benda and Mike Tyner to update the official logo of the

ILLINOIS NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY!

Related January Events

January 11th, 5pm - 9pm: Food Works presents Small Farm Dreams Workshop, at the U of I Extension Office located at 201 Main Street in Marion. Have you ever dreamed of starting your own farm business? Small Farm Dreams is a four-hour, interactive workshop designed to help you learn what it takes to do just that. For more information about this workshop, visit http://eatsouthernillinois.org/3farmer%20training/small_farm_dreams.html. You may also email Jerry Bradley at jerry@eatsouthernillinois.org or call 618.319.2715.





Mark your calendars!

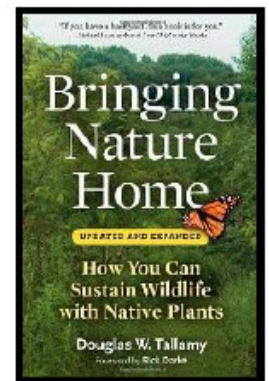
**Coming soon to
Southern Illinois**



The Illinois Native Plant Society is pleased to host a presentation by

Dr. Doug Tallamy, author of *Bringing Nature Home*

How to sustain wildlife with Native Plants



Friday, February 18th, 2011 @ 7:00pm

**Browne Auditorium, Parkinson Lab bldg, SIU Campus
1259 Lincoln Drive, Carbondale, IL**

This event is free and open to the public



"People in the gardening world are calling Douglas W. Tallamy's book on native plants the next Silent Spring." —Westchester Journal News

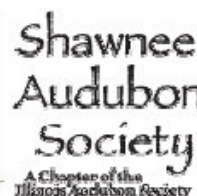
"Tallamy communicates a hopeful message: It's not too late to save the ecological community of fauna and the answer is as simple as replacing foreign plants with natives." —Garden Compass

Gardening For Life: Chances are, you have never thought of your garden – indeed, of all the space on your property – as a wildlife preserve that represents the chance we have for sustaining plants and animals that were once common throughout the U.S. But that is exactly the role our suburban landscapes are now playing and will play even more in the near future. For more information visit <http://bringingnaturehome.net/>.



Douglas Tallamy is professor and chair of the Department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology and Director of the Center for Managed Ecosystems at the University of Delaware in Newark, Delaware, where he has authored 73 research articles and has taught Insect Taxonomy, Behavioral Ecology, and other courses for over 20 years. His book "Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in our Gardens" was published by Timber Press in 2007 and was awarded the 2008 Silver Medal by the Garden Writer's Association.

This presentation was organized by the **SOUTHERN CHAPTER of the ILLINOIS NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY** along with the following sponsors: **EVERGREEN GARDEN CLUB, SIU RESTORATION CLUB**





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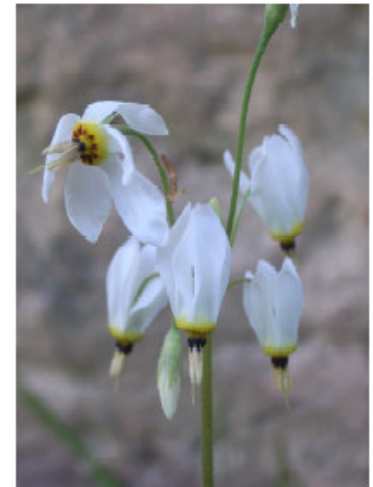
- Central (Springfield)
- Forest Glen (Westville)
- Northeast (Chicago)
- Southern (Carbondale)
- Quad City (Rock Island)
- Irene Cull (Peoria)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Illinois Native Plant Society
 This membership application / renewal form is intended to be folded in thirds with a check enclosed and stapled shut or use a label sticker or just use an envelope!

Please become a member and support this local non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, conservation, and study of the native plants and vegetation of Illinois!!!

Membership Benefits include:

- Quarterly issues of The Harbinger - the statewide newsletter
- One yearly issue of Erigenia - the official journal of the Illinois Native Plant Society
- An invitation to the Annual Statewide INPS Meeting
- A vote on official Society business



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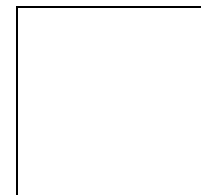
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A big **THANK YOU** to **Ron & Clara Kiser** for hosting the **2010 Holiday Dinner** at their home last month.

INPS 2011 CALENDAR

Upcoming Events:

January 12 th	Board Meeting	Everyone	SIUC campus
February 18 th	Doug Tallamy	Bringing Nature Home	SIUC campus
March 15 th	TBA		
April 19 th	Treasures of the Shawnee		Harrisburg, IL

Past Events:

December 12 th	The Kisers	Holiday Dinner	Murphysboro, IL
November 16 th	Chris Benda	Sandstone Glades	SIUC campus
November 13 th	Chris Benda	Todd Fink NA	Ozark, IL
October 19 th	Scott Schuette	IL Bryophytes	SIUC campus
September 21 st	Ryan Klopf	Illinois Prairies	SIUC campus