



# Cedar Bog Review

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## Membership Dues due!

It is time to renew your membership in the Cedar Bog Association. We have included a membership envelope with this special edition of the "Newsletter." If you have recently renewed, please consider handing the membership flyer to a friend whom you think would be interested in becoming a member, or give a gift membership to a friend yourself!

## For those of you with a Prairie Bent...

I was playing around on the Internet, and being a Prairie Aficianada, I gravitated to the Ohio Prairie Association website ([www.ohioprairie.org](http://www.ohioprairie.org)) and discovered that they have a section called "Prairie Plant of the Month."

The plant for December is the Shooting Star (*Dodecatheon meadia*). It is a prairie forb that blooms in May and early June. It is found throughout Ohio but is rare. The site also has photos of the plant.

It is well worth spending some time navigating through the site. They are on top of things, with the last update being on the 8th of December.



Shooting Star  
*Dodecatheon meadia*  
Primulaceae Primrose family  
northern areas  
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## Calendar 2007

Some preliminary dates have been set for 2007 events at the bog.

25 February	<b>Skunk Cabbage Walk</b> , 2pm
March/April	<b>Toad Tuning</b>
21 April	<b>Earth Day</b> , 10am-4pm
28 April	<b>Terry Jaworski Memory Walk</b>
? June	<b>Annual Meeting</b> , date, location and time TBA
19&20 October	<b>Boo-in-the-Bog</b> , 7pm each night

## Cedar Bog Library Gets a Boost

During her life, 'Buggie' Markham, worked as a naturalist for Dawes Arboretum, was an avid birder, and volunteered for many years at the Ohio Historical Center as a naturalist. Over the course of her lifetime, she collected books. Many of these books focus on the natural sciences. These books are currently in storage at the Ohio Historical Center Library/Archives and Bob Glotzhober enlisted a few of us (myself, Erin Bartlett, Sharon Gavan and Bill Schultz) to sort through the books and choose which of the natural history tomes will become a part of the Cedar Bog library.

We started work on Monday, December 11 and plowed through 12 boxes of books, 5 1/2 boxes have now been set aside for the bog. We have many more boxes to go, but the result will be a great research library in the bog house. Some of the books will eventually be housed in the new Interpretive/Education Center along with other books donated by one of the Association's members. Some of Buggie's books have her notes in the margins as to where and when she found a plant or saw a bird.

Melanie Pratt

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## Other Happenings in Ohio

The Ohio Wildlife Diversity Conference titled **Wild At Night** will be held at the Aladdin Shrine Complex in Columbus on Wednesday, March 14th. The program focuses on the nocturnal animals that we do not normally see during daylight hours. The keynote speaker, Kenn Kaufman, renowned author and naturalist, will kick off the morning discussing the evolution of appreciation for the natural world.

The Conference is sponsored by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife. Direct mailings to past participants will be mailed after January 10, 2007. For information after January 10, please call 1.800.WILDLIFE, or watch for information on [www.ohiodnr.com/wildlife](http://www.ohiodnr.com/wildlife).

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## The Last Word

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the bog this past year, from monetary donations to volunteering their time and efforts to getting things accomplished. A special Thank You goes to Tim Snyder, who came out of retirement from ODNR for the month of October and kept things humming along.

I wish all of you a happy and prosperous New Year and hope to see you at the bog, especially when we break ground for the new building!

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