

TAOS

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Field Trips and Workshops for 2011

- May 15. Cerro Azul island peak field trip. Leaders: David Witt, Patrick Webber and Ty Minton.
- June 3. "Beautiful Waterwise Design." Workshop with Judith Phillips (42 attended)
- June 25. Gardens in Progress Tour. Leader: Betsy Robertson. (30 attended)

Projects and Public Events for 2011

Greenhouse Project.

Native plant seeds were collected and propagated. There were many workdays with Chris Miller as leader. We had a members' only plant sale on June 17 followed by a Farmers' Market sale on June 18. Some plants were donated to the Taos Charter School for their landscaping project.

Brodsky Bookstore Native Plant Garden.

The garden originally designed by Kathryn Peel was cleaned up and maintained by NPS members.

Baca Park Wetlands Reclamation.

The work of removing invasive non-native plants continued. As part of our education outreach we invited the Taos Charter School to help with the removal of Canada thistle and to learn about conservation work. On May 24, both the 6th and 7th grades assisted.

Taos Charter School Partnership.

September 1 and 2, Colorado College students came to the Charter School for a work project. NPS members were on hand to help the students identify plants and do some weeding of the school grounds. We also assisted the Charter school in their participation with the SEED 3 event.

SEED 3 Event.

On October 9 some members of the NPS attended the opening reception of SEED 3. An information table about the NPS was set up by Claudia Bianca and Sallie Hoops. We donated some books for a raffle, the profits to be donated to the SEED 3 education work. We also donated \$400. to transport students from local grade schools on a field trip to Miguel Santisteven's seed farm.

Public Events.

The NPS had a booth at the Taos Count Fair on August 27-28. We had an exhibit with information about NPS activities, identified a few plants and gave out information on weed management.

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Programs for 2011

- April. "Jardin de Riso: Wild and Cultivated Plants of the Acequia Systems of Northern New Mexico." Presented by Miguel Santistevan. (35 attended)
- May. "Hot Butterfly Happenings in Taos County." Presented by Steve Cary, naturalist. (40 attended)
- June. "Rare and Endangered Plants in New Mexico." Presented by Bob Sivinski, botanist for the New Mexico Forestry Division.
- July. "Weed Management in Taos County." Presented by Peter Vigil, TSWCD District Manager.
- August. No program due to the annual meeting in SantaFe.
- September. "Native Flowers Along Forest Trails." Presented by Kendall Clark, forest supervisor for the Carson National Forest.
- October. No Program. Members were encouraged to visit the SEED 3 exhibit ant the Stables Gallery.
- November. We held a seed exchange and social. Chris Miller discussed seed germination. Claudia Bianca talked about the Charter School projects. Dessert and coffee were served.