## **Boston Mountain Ranger District**

Native Plant Pollinator Garden

## 2013 Accomplishments

The Ozark Garden Club, a group of volunteer gardeners, has assisted us with maintenance of the pollinator gardens and will also assist us with seed collecting/saving and educational programs in the area schools and community.

The purpose of this project was to maintain and share seed sources from the Boston Mountain district office's native plant pollinator garden. Other purposes were also to improve the educational programs in the community through sharing native plant information, education, site visits and seed sources.

Many groups came to visit the garden. The Ozark Garden Club came twice to collect seed to share with the community, 4-H and the schools. District personnel have also collected seed for the garden, future gardens and sharing. Several volunteers came throughout the year to take pictures of the pollinators and some are working on identifying the pollinators. We also installed a plant camera in order to capture some of the pollinator usage. Several education tours of the gardens were completed during the year.

The following species were planted in the garden:

Butterfly Milkweed: Ascelepias tuberosa, Pale Purple Coneflower: Echinacea pallida, Turk's Cap Lily: Lilium superbum, Columbine: Aquilegia Canadensis, Big Bluestem (Grass): Andropogon gerardii, Little Bluestem (Grass): Schizachyrium scoparium, Wild Bergamont, Bee Balm: Monarda fistulosa, Gray Headed Coneflower: Ratibida pinnata, Dense Blazing Star: Liatris spicata, Showy Evening Primrose: Oenothera speciosa, Lyre-Leaved Sage: Salvia lyrata, Royal Catchfly (Sensitive Species): Silene regia, Wrinkleleaf Goldenrod: Solidago rugosa, Prairie Phlox, Downy Phlox: Phlox pilosa, American Beautyberry: Callicarpa americana, Redbud: Cercis canadensis, Arkansas Alumroot: Heuchera villosa v. arkansana, Purple Poppy Mallow: Callirhoe involucrata, Rose Verbena: Glandularia canadensis, Short's Aster: Aster shortii, Cardinal Flower: Lobelia cardinalis, Pasture Rose: Rosa carolina, Rattle Snake Master: Eryngium yuccifolium, Deciduous Holly: Ilex decidua, Large-Flowered Coreopsis: Coreopsis grandiflora, Wild Hyrdrangea: Hydrangea arborescens, Tickseed Coreopsis: Coreopsis tinctoria, Crimsoneyed Rose Mallow, Hibiscus: Hibiscus moscheutos, Scarlet Rose Mallow, Hibiscus: Hibiscus coccineus, Possumhaw: Viburnum nudum, Trumpet Creeper: Campsis radicans, Passion Vine, Purple Passion Flower: Passiflora incarnate, Blackeyed Susan: Rudbeckia hirta, Ohio Spiderwort: Tradescantia ohiensis, Fragrant Aster: Aster oblongifolius, Purple

Coneflower: Echinacea purpurea, and Swamp Milkweed: Asclepias

incarnata



Native plant/pollinator garden at the Boston Mountain Ranger District office.

Year Awarded: 2011

Project completion: 2012

Report number: 3

**Expenditures:** 

FY13 funding: \$4,000
NFVW: \$3,500
Partner: \$500

Partners/Contractors/Coop:

Ozark-Garden Club

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