



April Blooms at the Crosby Arboretum!

In and Around the Bog

| Common name | Species | Structure of Interest |
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| Yellow Pitcher Plant | <i>Sarracenia alata</i> Wood | Yellow nodding flowers; developing reddish veined cylindrical leaves |
| Bladderwort | <i>Utricularia</i> sp. | Tiny, yellow, solitary flowers on a stalk emerging from a cluster of leaves. |
| Sunbonnets | <i>Chaptalia tomentosa</i> Vent. | Composite arising from a stalk with a cluster of leaves at the base; disc flowers white and pink to purplish below, ray flowers white. Some may be closed if there is overcast or shade. |
| Yellow Star Grass | <i>Hypoxis hirsuta</i> (L.) Coville | Tiny, yellow six petaled flowers; may be clustered or solitary. |
| Daisy Fleabane | <i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i> L. | Composite arising from a multiple-branched stalk; ray flowers white, disc flowers yellow. |
| Sneeze Weed | <i>Helenium vernale</i> Walt. | Composite arising from a single stalk; disc and ray flowers yellow. |
| Wild Black Cherry | <i>Prunus serotina</i> Ehrh. | Cluster of drooping white flowers; crushed leaves smell like almonds (this is cyanide produced by the plant to ward off herbivores!). |
| Red Chokeberry | <i>Aronia arbutifolia</i> (L.) Pers. | Cluster of white, fragrant flowers; individual flowers with five petals. |

In and Around Beaver Pond

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| Star Anise | <i>Illicium floridanum</i> Ellis | Deep maroon flowers with eighteen or more petals, yellow center; leaves very fragrant when crushed. |
| Golden Club | <i>Orontium aquaticum</i> L. | Yellow flower cluster with white below; growing in water. |
| Buckwheat Tree | <i>Cliftonia monophylla</i> (Lam.) Britt. ex Sarg. | Flower clusters upright, consisting of white to pinkish, fragrant flowers. |
| Louisiana Iris | <i>Iris fulva</i> Ker-Gawl. | Large, solitary flowers that vary in |

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| Rushes | <i>Juncus</i> spp. | hues of purple arising from long stalks; growing in water. Densely clumped, grass-like plants occurring along the edges of water; leaves needle-like and round; flowers pale green and turning brown at maturity. |
| White Floating Hearts | <i>Nymphoides aquatica</i> (Gmel.) Ktze. | Small, white flowers growing from the edge of small, circular leaf blades. |
| Yellow Cow Lily | <i>Nuphar advena</i> (Ait.) Ait.f. | Large, globular flower with a yellow center emerging from a stout stalk in the water; floating leaves large and circular. |
| Orange Flowered Azalea | <i>Rhododendron austrinum</i> (Small) Millais | Large shrub growing along water's edge. Tubular flowers orange and yellow with a reddish ting; long stamens and pistil emerging from flowers. |
| Wild Azalea | <i>Rhododendron canescens</i> (Michx.) Sweet | Large shrub growing along water's edge. Tubular flower white and pink; long stamens and pistil emerging from flowers. |

Other Areas Along the Journey

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| Flowering Dogwood | <i>Cornus florida</i> L | White, notched bracts (sometimes pink to reddish) subtended by tiny yellow flower clusters; bark checkered. |
| Red Maple | <i>Acer rubrum</i> L. | Crimson red to pink winged seeds on occurring in pairs on medium-sized trees; petioles (portion of stem between the leaf and main stem) red; leaf blades with 3-5 lobes. |
| Candy Root | <i>Polygala nana</i> (Micx.) DC. | Small herbaceous plant with yellow, compact flower clusters. Roots smell like wintergreen candy. |
| Yellow Jessamine | <i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i> (L.) | Twining, woody vine with shiny, yellow tubular flowers. Flowers fragrant. |
| Waxmyrtle | <i>Myrica cerifera</i> L. | Shrub often with multiple stems; bark thin and smooth, whitish to gray; leaves elongate with serrate tips, glandular dots on each side; |