

40th Anniversary
1986-2026



The Kentucky Native Plant Society was founded in 1986 for everyone interested in the native plants and wildflowers of Kentucky. Plants are essential to both the well-being of our Commonwealth's natural ecosystems and our enjoyment of its unique environment. With members in Kentucky and neighboring states, the Kentucky Native Plant Society is a leader in promoting education about, appreciation for, and conservation of our native flora.

Purpose

The purpose of the Kentucky Native Plant Society is to serve as a medium of fellowship and information exchange among botanists, both amateur and professional, to promote conservation of native plants and natural plant communities of Kentucky, to promote public education in botanical science, and to encourage botanical research in Kentucky.

Goals

- To serve as the Kentucky native plant education resource
- To support native plant research
- To support efforts to identify and protect endangered, threatened, and rare native plant species
- To promote appreciation of the biodiversity of native plant ecosystems
- To encourage the appropriate use of native plants

In Loving Memory

As we celebrate 40 years of the Kentucky Native Plant Society, we remember the officers and board members who greatly contributed to the society that are no longer with us.

The society remembers them with affection and honors them through the continued dedication to Kentucky's native plants.

Sherrri Evans (1999)

Rebecca Waldrige (Becky Sensenig, 2003)

Willem Meijer (2003)

Charlie Lapham (2009)

Hal Bryan (2010)

Steve Sensenig (2011)

R. Hughes Walker (2011)

Landon McKinney (2014)

Tom Barnes (2014)

Mary Carol Cooper (2016)

Joyce Porter (2016)

Clara Wieland (2018)

Harold Eversmeyer (2020)

Varley Wiedeman (2020)

David Luzader (2025)

Richard Cassell (2025)

Kentucky Native Plant Society Officers and Board Members 1986-2026

Kentucky Native Plant Society has always been a 100% volunteer society that is dependent upon the generous donations of time, labor, expertise, and resources of native plant enthusiasts and professionals. The society would like to express it's sincere gratitude to those who have served in leadership roles these last 40 years.



Thomas Barnes
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 Board: 2002-2004



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 Vice President: 1990-1992
 Board: 1988-1989



Jerry Baskin
 Board: 1986-1989



Tom Bloom
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 Lady Slipper Editor:
 1994-1995



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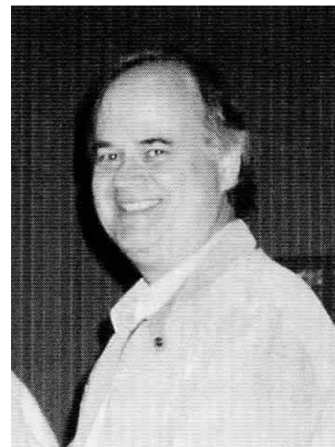
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 1986-1990



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Board: 1990-1992;
2012-2016



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Board: 2008



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2006-2008
Secretary: 1986-1988



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Board: 1990-1994



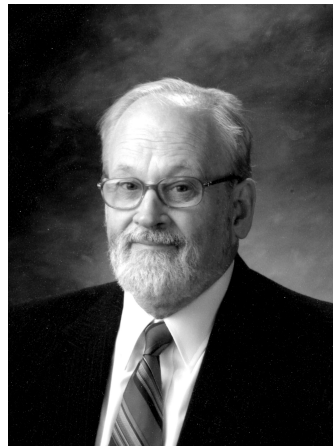
Kathleen Jones
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2003-2008



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Lady Slipper Editor:
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2000-2005



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Board: 2006-2008



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2003-2009



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Vice President: 2018



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2014-2017



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Board: 2018



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1997
Board: 1990-1992

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Board: 2018

Jan Jenneman
Board: 1998-1999

James Martin
Board: 1998

Steele McFadden
Treasurer: 2022

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Secretary: 2016-2017
Board: 2014-2017

Austin Prater
Board: 2017

Teresa McReynolds
Secretary: 2014

Roy Smith
Board: 2001-2004