

## Northeast Section report 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Vice-Chair Bonnie Isaac attended the BSA Council Meeting in Anchorage, AK on July 24, 2022.

In December 2022 Chair Amy Faivre and Bonnie voted to have the Northeast section support one 2023 BSA Meeting symposium and two colloquia in name, as they were all organized by members of our region.

In February Heather Cacanindin sent Amy and Bonnie the financial sheets related to the NE BSA section. Bonnie and Amy reviewed the sheets during a joint phone call in April.

The Northeast Section Joint Field meeting (with the Philadelphia Botanical Society and the Torrey Botanical Society) was held April 23-27, 2023 at Lake Junaluska Conference & Retreat Center in North Carolina. Forty-five people attended the evening talks & daily field trips. The evening talks given were an overview of western North Carolina flora by Wes Knapp, The Buck Creek Serpentine Floristic & Community Diversity by Gary Kauffman, Geology of the Buck Creek Serpentine Barrens by Shane Schoepfer, Low Elevation Basic Glades by Josh Kelly, and a talk about William Bartram by Brent Martin. Field trips were to the Buck Creek serpentine barrens, Harmon Den, Pink Beds, Red Bank Cove, Graveyard Fields, Watterock Knob, Waslick Poplar Trail & Wolf Mountain Overlook. In addition to the beautiful scenery along the Blue Ridge Parkway & in Pisgah National Forest, participants got to see the federally listed swamp pink, three single site endemics and several state listed plants. The weather was beautiful with light rain only dampening one morning.

The 2024 Joint Field Meeting will be held June 3-7, 2024 at Evergreen Resort on the Bruce Peninsula in Ontario, Canada.

A member of our section, Jessa Finch, requested assistance in advertising the "Queer Plant Convergence" to be held July 28-30, 2023 in Wales, MA. Amy worked with Heather Cacanindin and Amelia Neely to craft an announcement to put in the May BSA newsletter.