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THANK YOU

Dear John:

Here at last is a list of plant species I have found at Sharon Woods which do not appear on the 1989 park list. By now perhaps you are already aware of most of these.

I hasten to point out that these identifications are entirely my own, and have not been verified by anyone more experienced. I'll be glad to provide what information I have about identity and location if you wish to follow up any questionable listings.

I did not find any species that appear on the Ohio rare plant list. However, some attractive plants occurred only occasionally at Sharon Woods, and you may wish to protect these locations. I have not worked out a map scheme for this purpose, but I can provide some information if you want it.

One species that appeared on the 1989 list as "frequent" was Trillium erectum (Liliaceae). Perhaps you are already aware that this species is not known to appear naturally anywhere near southwest Ohio, so its presence should be verified. I did not see it, but I did find frequent occurrences of Trillium sessile.

The enclosed list includes 53 species which do not appear on the 1989 list. Of these, eight identifications are incomplete or tentative, but definitely different from those on the park list. I have no experience with these wetland or aquatic species, but I have included them because I thought they might be of special interest.

I have not looked at grasses or most sedges. I have omitted the "prairie" plants on the east side of the lake (coneflowers, flax, sweet william, garden columbine, etc.), because I assume they are cultivated plantings, not necessarily native.

Most of my listings were seen along the lake trail. Most of this area was probably not accessible in 1989 during lake reconstruction. Also some species may have come in since the lake was restored.

I am not walking as often as before, but I continue to enjoy the plants and keep an eye out for ones I have missed. I'll let you know if I am able to identify anything else not on your list. I have learned a huge amount about plant identification at Shawnee Lookout and at Sharon Woods, and I greatly appreciate these wonderful outdoor labs. A big "thank-you" to the Parks!

Sincerely,

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CHECK-LIST OF SPECIES OF VASCULAR PLANTS IN SHARON WOODS PARK.
 ADDITIONS TO PARK LIST BY JAMES RAMSEY FOR 1989, BASED ON
 OBSERVATIONS BY RUTH TROSSET DURING 1991 (MARCH-OCTOBER),
 1992 (MARCH-AUGUST), AND 1993 (APRIL-MAY, CONTINUING).

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FAMILY	GENUS-SPECIES	COMMON NAME	EARLIEST FLOWERING DATE			
			ABUNDANCE	HABITAT		
Berberidaceae						
	Jeffersonia diphylla	Twinleaf	Apr	occ	for	east service road
Boraginaceae						
	Hackelia virginiana	Virginia stickseed	Jun	occ	for	
Caprifoliaceae						
	Lonicera maackii	Honeysuckle, bush	May	com	for, edg	
	Lonicera tatarica	Honeysuckle, Tartarian	May	occ	edge	
	Triosteum angustifolium	Horse gentian	May	occ	for	east lake
Commelinaceae						
	Tradescantia virginiana	Spiderwort, Virginia	May	fre	for	
Compositae						
	Artemesia annua	Wormwood	Aug	occ	bot	
	Eclipta alba	Eclipta	Aug	occ	bot	
	Erigeron canadensis	Horseweed	Aug	com	bot	
	Galinsoga ciliata	Galinsoga	Aug	occ	bot	creek
	Polyamia canadensis	Leafcup, small-flowered	Jul	occ	edg	
	Prenanthes alba	Lettuce, white	Sep	occ	edg	boardwalk/l plant
	Prenanthes altissimus	Lettuce, tall white	Sep	freq	for	east lake, gorge
	Senecio glabellus	Butterweed	May	occ	bot	
	Senecio obovatus	Ragwort, round-leaved	May	fre	for	
	Solidago caesia	Goldenrod, blue-stem	Sep	occ	for	gorge
	Solidago graminifolia	Goldenrod, lance-leaf	Aug	occ	edg	east lake
	Sonchus asper	Sow thistle	Jul	occ	edg	
	Sonchus uliginosus	Sow thistle	Jul	occ	edg	
Convolvulaceae						
	Cuscuta sp (gronovii?)	Dodder	Aug	loc	bot	east lake at creek
	Ipomoea hederacea	Morning-glory, ivy-leaved	Aug	occ	edg	
	Ipomoea purpurea	Morning-glory, common	Sep	occ	edg	
Coryiaceae						
	Alnus glutinosa	Alder, European black	Apr	com	edg	east lake
Cruciferae						
	Draba verna	Whitlow grass	Apr	freq	edg	
Euphorbiaceae						
	Acalypha ostryaefolia	Hornbeam three-seeded mercury	Aug	occ	edg	
	Acalypha rhomboidea	Three-seeded mercury	Jul	occ	edg	
	Euphorbia maculata	Spurge, spotted	Aug	occ	edg	
Iridaceae						
	Iris pseudacoris	Yellow flag	May	occ	bot	lake at east creek & west
Labiatae						
	Lycopus americanus	Water-horehound	Aug	freq	bot	lake edge

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				ABUNDANCE			

Leguminosae							
	<i>Apios americana</i>	Ground-nut	Aug	loc	bot	east lake near service road	
	<i>Coronilla varia</i>	Crown vetch	Jun	fre	edg		
	<i>Medicago sativa</i>	Alfalfa	Jul	loc	edg	east lake	
Liliaceae							
	<i>Trillium sessile</i>	Wake robin	Apr	fre	for		
	<i>Uvularia grandiflora</i>	Bellwort, large-flowered	Apr	occ	for	east lake so inlet	
Limnanthaceae							
	<i>Floerkea proserpinacoides</i>	False-mermaid	Apr	occ	for		
Malvaceae							
	<i>Hibiscus sp (palustris?)</i>	Rose-mallow, swamp	Aug	occ	bot	east lake near creek	
	<i>Sida spinosa</i>	Prickly mallow	Aug	occ	bot		
Polygonaceae							
	<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	Knotweed	Jul	occ	edg		
	<i>Polygonum punctatum</i>	Smartweed	Aug	occ	for		
	<i>Polygonum scandens</i>	False buckwheat	Aug	occ	bot		
Primulaceae							
	<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	Scarlet pimpernel	Aug	occ	edg		
	<i>Lysimachia quadrifolia</i>	Loosestrife, whorled	May	occ	for	gorge	
Ranunculaceae							
	<i>Ranunculus micranthus</i>	Crowfoot	Apr	occ	edg		
	<i>Thalictrum dioicum</i>	Meadowrue, early	Apr	occ	edg	at boardwalk opp. benches	
Rosaceae							
	<i>Geum vernum</i>	Spring avens	Apr	occ	edg		
Umbelliferae							
	<i>Torilis japonica</i>	Hedge-parsley	Jul	occ	edg		
Valerianaceae							
	<i>Valerianella chenopodifolia</i>	Corn-salad	May	fre	bot	north end of lake	

WETLAND AND AQUATIC PLANTS (TENTATIVE IDENTIFICATION)

Ceratophyllaceae (?)						
	<i>Ceratophyllum demersum</i> (?)	Pondweed		occ	aqu	in lake
Cyperaceae						
	<i>Eleocharis sp (tenuis?)</i>	Spike-rush	May	occ	bot	north of lake
	<i>Scirpus sp (?)</i>	Bulrush (?)	Jun	fre	bot	lake north of I-275
Lemnaceae						
	<i>Lemna sp (minor?)</i>	Duckweed		com	aqu	in lake
Zosteraceae						
	<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	Pondweed	May	freq	aqu	in lake
	<i>Potamogeton sp (nodosus?)</i>	Pondweed		fre	aqu	in lake