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NEWSLETTER OF THE ARKANSAS NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

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## President's Message...

We're looking forward to the fall meeting in Alma and Devil's Den--a corner of the state that is foreign territory to the Native Plant Society. Clemy Moore has arranged supper and evening activities at the Methodist Fellowship Hall as well as field trips to the Devil's Den and the bat caves (not for the nervous!). Remember the auction Saturday night and bring your invaluable--plants and seeds and anything else that strikes the fancy. We buy everything!! Carl Amason has agreed to serve as auctioneer for an unprecedented umpteenth time. He informs the membership that Asa Gray's vasculum--circa 1875--will be among the items up for bid. (Apparently, a vasculum circulating at past auctions and represented as that of the great Cambridge botanist has proven to be a forgery!)

We have talked to the Alma Chamber of Commerce as well as to the staff at Devil's Den State Park and ordered 58° nighttime lows and temperatures in the high 70's for the afternoons, clear skies, sugar maple and black gum turning, aster and witchhazel at their peak and 23 species of goldenrod in full bloom. So--said the mother skunk to her young-uns--"let us pray!" And Breck Campbell has sent me so many names of new members, I hope we'll meet some of them October 17, 18, and 19 at the meeting. See you at Alma.

P.S. If you're coming, please fill out the form at the end of the Newsletter and send it to Clemy Moore--today!

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