Triad Flora Report28 February 2017

Spring has leapt upon us!

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, send me (<u>lisalgould@gmail.com</u>) your observations, including common name, scientific name (if possible), place observed (locale, town, county), date observed, stage (e.g., in bloom, in fruit, leaves only, etc.), and observer's name. Please report only for the following counties: Alamance, Caswell, Davidson,

Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin. Please include only plants that are in the wild (native or naturalized)—no garden plants. Species with an asterisk (*) are not native to our area but have naturalized here.

Nomenclature is from *Flora of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic States*, Working Draft of 29 May 2015, by Alan S. Weakley, UNC Herbarium, Chapel Hill NC. Available as a free download (a searchable pdf) from: http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/FloraArchives/WeakleyFlora_2015-05-29.pdf

Invasive species status [marked with an exclamation point and a number] is from the NC Native Plant Society's *Invasive Exotic Plants in NC – 2010*, which is available at http://www.ncwildflower.org/invasives/list.htm. The Society ranks invasive plants by the threat level: Rank 1 [!1] = Severe Threat, Rank 2 [!2] = Significant Threat, Rank 3 [!3] = Lesser Threat, Watch List A [!4] = naturalizing and may become a problem, Watch List B [!5] = known threat in other states but not yet a problem here. This list is a work-in-progress—if you have comments, go to the web link for information on how to provide feedback.

The Triad Flora Report is sent via email to members of the <u>Audubon Society of Forsyth County</u>, the Triad Chapter of <u>the Carolina Butterfly Society</u>, and the Triad Chapter of the <u>NC Native Plant Society</u>. If you want to receive the reports, please join one (or all!) of these great groups.

The attached photos of Bloodroot (*Sanguinaria canadensis*) and Dimpled Trout Lily (*Erythronium americanum*) are by Lisa Gould.

DAVIE COUNTY

Red Maple, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). Woods, 2/4/17 (Lisa Gould).

FORSYTH COUNTY

Red Maple, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). Woods, 2/11/17 (Lisa Gould). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould). (in bloom & fruit). Reynolda Estate, 2/27/17 (Lisa Gould). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).

Tag Alder, Alnus serrulata (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/27/17 (Lisa Gould).

Round-lobed Hepatica, *Anemone americana* [= *Hepatica americana*] (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould). Possibly planted at this site—unclear.

*[!2] Leatherleaf Mahonia, Berberis bealei [= Mahonia bealei] (in bloom). Edges, 2/8/17 (Lisa Gould). (In bloom & fruit forming). Reynolda Estate, 2/27/17 (Lisa Gould).

*Evergreen Barberry, Berberis julianiae (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould).

*White Ball Mustard, *Calepina irregularis* (in bloom). Children's Home property, 2/27/17 (Lisa Gould).

***Hoary Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom & fruit). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Redbud, Cercis canadensis (found a few open blossoms on one tree). 2/26/17 (Lisa Gould).

*[!5] Thorny Elaeagnus, *Elaeagnus pungens* (ripe fruit). 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).

Dimpled Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum* (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould).

Variable-leaf Heartleaf, *Hexastylis heterophylla* (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould). Possibly planted at this site—unclear.

Bluets, *Houstonia caerulea* (found 1 flower in bloom). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Red Cedar, Juniperus viriginiana (in bloom). 2/11/17 (Lisa Gould).

- ***Henbit**, *Lamium amplexicaule* (bloom beginning). Lawns & edges, 2/11/17 (Lisa Gould). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould).
- *[!2] Purple Dead-nettle, *Lamium purpureum* (in bloom). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould).
- Northern Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin* (almost in bloom). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould). (bloom just beginning). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).

*[**!1**] **Fragrant Honeysuckle**, *Lonicera fragrantissima* (flowers & fruit forming). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).

***Daffodils**, *Narcissus* **sp.** (in bloom). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould)—spreading near old house sites.

*Creeping Lady's-sorrel, Oxalis corniculata (in bloom). Edges, 2/25/17 (Lisa Gould).

Golden Ragwort, *Packera aurea* [= *Senecio aureus*] (in bud). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).

- *Indian-strawberry, *Potentilla indica* (in bloom). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould).
- *[**!1**] **Bradford Pear**, *Pyrus calleryana* (in bloom). Woods & edges, 2/22/17 (Lisa Gould). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).
- **Bloodroot**, *Sanguinaria canadensis* (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould). Woods, 2/25/17 (Ron Morris).
- *[!3] Common Groundsel, *Senecio vulgaris* (in bloom). Edges, 2/5/17 (Lisa Gould). (bloom + fruit). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould).
- *[!2] Common Chickweed, *Stellaria media* (in bloom). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).

Skunk Cabbage, *Symplocarpus foetidus* (in bloom). Bethania, 2/1/17 (Lisa Gould).

- ***Common Dandelion**, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom + fruit). Bethania, 2/1/17 (Lisa Gould). Historic Bethabara, 2/23/17 (Lisa Gould).
- *White Clover, *Trifolium repens* (in bloom). Lawns, 2/25/17 (Lisa Gould).
- Toadshade Trillium, *Trillium cuneatum* (in bloom). Woods, 2/25/17 (Ron Morris).
- *[!2] Ivyleaf Speedwell, *Veronica hederifolia* (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/11/17 (Lisa Gould). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).
- *[!2] Periwinkle, Vinca minor (in bloom). Edges, 2/7/17 (Lisa Gould). Reynolda Estate, 2/24/17 (Lisa Gould). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould) (spreading from old house sites).
- Wild Pansy, Viola bicolor (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/27/17 (Lisa Gould).
- Forest Violet, Viola hirsutula (in bloom). Reuter Survey Trail, Bethania, 2/28/17 (Lisa Gould).
- **Common Blue Violet**, *Viola sororia* (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/7/17 (Lisa Gould). Reynolda Estate, 2/27/17 (Lisa Gould).

GUILFORD COUNTY

Red Maple, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). Nat Greene Trail, Palmetto Trail loop, Greensboro, 2/7/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Beech Bluff Trail, 2/27/17 (John Neal).

Round-lobed Hepatica, *Anemone americana* [= *Hepatica americana*] (flowers partially open). Townsend Trail, Greensboro, 2/14/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson). (in bloom) Townsend Trail, Greensboro, 2/26/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

***Hoary Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom). Nat Greene Trail, Palmetto Trail loop, Greensboro, 2/7/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

***Mouse-ear Chickweed**, *Cerastium fontanum* **ssp.** *vulgare* (in bloom). Nat Greene Trail, Palmetto Trail loop, Greensboro, 2/7/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Heartleaf Wild Ginger, *Hexastylis* **sp.**, probably *H. minor* (in bud). Laurel Bluff Trail, Greensboro, 2/21/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Bluets, *Houstonia spp*. (in bloom). In lawn, Cardinal Lifting Station, Beech Bluff Trail, 2/27/17 (John Neal).

***Henbit**, *Lamium amplexicaule* (in bloom) Neighborhood yards, Greensboro, 2/13/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

***[!2] Purple Dead-nettle**, *Lamium purpureum* (in bloom). Nat Greene Trail, Palmetto Trail loop, Greensboro, 2/7/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Northern Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin* (in bud). Townsend Trail, Greensboro, 2/14/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

(in bloom). Townsend Trail, Greensboro, 2/26/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Virginia Pennywort, *Obolaria virginica* (in bud). Townsend Trail, Greensboro, 2/14/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

*[!1] Bradford Pear, Pyrus calleryana (in bloom). Woods & edges, 2/22/17 (Lisa Gould).

Bloodroot, *Sanguinaria canadensis* (in bloom; also a few already making seed pods). Townsend Trail, Greensboro, 2/26/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson). (in bloom). Beech Bluff Trail, 2/27/17 (John Neal).

***[!2] Common Chickweed**, *Stellaria media* (in bloom). Nat Greene Trail, Palmetto Trail loop, Greensboro, 2/7/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

***Common Dandelion**, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom). Nat Greene Trail, Palmetto Trail loop, Greensboro, 2/7/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Ivyleaf Speedwell, *Veronica hederifolia* (in bloom). Nat Greene Trail, Palmetto Trail loop, Greensboro 2/7/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia* (in bloom) Neighborhood yards, Greensboro, 2/13/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Townsend Trail, Greensboro, 2/14/17 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

RANDOLPH COUNTY

Red Maple, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/17/17 (Judy West).

Tag Alder, *Alnus serrulata* (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/17/17 (Judy West).

Round-lobed Hepatica, *Anemone americana* [= *Hepatica americana*) (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/28/17 (Judy West).

River Birch, Betula nigra (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/17/17 (Judy West).

Common Spring-beauty, *Claytonia virginica* (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/28/17 (Judy West).

Little Brown Jug, *Hexastylis arifolia* (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/28/17 (Judy West).

Tiny Bluets, Houstonia pusilla (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/28/17 (Judy West).

*Henbit, Lamium amplexicaule (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/17/17 (Judy West).

Wild Pansy, Viola bicolor (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/28/17 (Judy West).

Prostrate Blue Violet, *Viola walteri* [ID uncertain] (in bloom). Creekside Park, Archdale, 2/28/17 (Judy West).

SURRY COUNTY

Dimpled Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum* (in bloom). Mixed woodland along Mitchell River, 2/25/17 (Ron Morris).