

## Plants of Louisiana With special attention to the Northeast

Saturday, April 28 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Chevron Station & Excel Mart Highway 165, Georgetown, La.

9-9:45: Introduction – Dr. Charles Allen, botanist

For our "classroom," we will use the metal canopy with red roof outside the Georgetown Chevron station. There are two picnic tables under the canopy and I will bring a folding table for Dr. Allen's materials. You might want to bring a lawn chair to be guaranteed a seat; however, standing is an option.

Dr. Allen will have handouts, but bring a pen and your journal for note taking. If you have a clipboard, bring it, and, of course, it is always good to have a phone/camera handy.

## 9:45-11:45: Field Work

We will caravan into the Kisatchie National Forest, which stretches for miles to the north and the south right behind the Georgetown Chevron station. We will stop along the roadsides to do "ditch botany." You will be surprised at what can be found in ditches. We will also walk into the forest where suitable areas are found. Be dressed to stand and walk!

IMPORTANT NOTE: Most of the places we will stop will not have parking. Therefore, we will pool into as few vehicles as possible. If you want to drive, please prepare your vehicle to handle passengers. It is just as important that some be willing to ride. We can use the Facebook group to get ourselves organized so that we can move out quickly and efficiently. I can take three others in my vehicle easily and four if one person is not too big! So email me if you want to ride with me.

11:45-12:45: Break, pit stop, lunch back at the Georgetown Chevron.

12:45-2:30: Field Work - Our second foray into the forest to find and identify plants.

2:30-3 – Debriefing, Q&A, final remarks about upcoming plans back at the Georgetown Chevron.

IMPORTANT NOTE: I have cleared with the folks at the Georgetown Chevron that we can use their canopy, leave cars and perhaps most importantly, use their toilets. Therefore, it is encouraged that we patronize this business by purchasing food, water, and/or gas.

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