



April Blooms at the Crosby Arboretum!

In and Around the Bog

Common name	Species	Structure of Interest
Yellow Pitcher Plant	<i>Sarracenia alata</i> Wood	Yellow nodding flowers; developing reddish veined cylindrical leaves
Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia</i> sp.	Tiny, yellow, solitary flowers on a stalk emerging from a cluster of leaves.
Sunbonnets	<i>Chaptalia tomentosa</i> Vent.	Composite arising from a stalk with a cluster of leaves at the base; disc flowers white and pink to purplish below, ray flowers white. Some may be closed if there is overcast or shade.
Yellow Star Grass	<i>Hypoxis hirsuta</i> (L.) Coville	Tiny, yellow six petaled flowers; may be clustered or solitary.
Daisy Fleabane	<i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i> L.	Composite arising from a multiple-branched stalk; ray flowers white, disc flowers yellow.
Sneeze Weed	<i>Helenium vernale</i> Walt.	Composite arising from a single stalk; disc and ray flowers yellow.
Wild Black Cherry	<i>Prunus serotina</i> Ehrh.	Cluster of drooping white flowers; crushed leaves smell like almonds (this is cyanide produced by the plant to ward off herbivores!).
Red Chokeberry	<i>Aronia arbutifolia</i> (L.) Pers.	Cluster of white, fragrant flowers; individual flowers with five petals.

In and Around Beaver Pond

Common name	Species	Structure of Interest
Star Anise	<i>Illicium floridanum</i> Ellis	Deep maroon flowers with eighteen or more petals, yellow center; leaves very fragrant when crushed.
Golden Club	<i>Orontium aquaticum</i> L.	Yellow flower cluster with white below; growing in water.
Buckwheat Tree	<i>Cliftonia monophylla</i> (Lam.) Britt. ex Sarg.	Flower clusters upright, consisting of white to pinkish, fragrant flowers.
Louisiana Iris	<i>Iris fulva</i> Ker-Gawl.	Large, solitary flowers that vary in

Rushes	<i>Juncus</i> spp.	hues of purple arising from long stalks; growing in water. Densely clumped, grass-like plants occurring along the edges of water; leaves needle-like and round; flowers pale green and turning brown at maturity.
White Floating Hearts	<i>Nymphoides aquatica</i> (Gmel.) Ktze.	Small, white flowers growing from the edge of small, circular leaf blades.
Yellow Cow Lily	<i>Nuphar advena</i> (Ait.) Ait.f.	Large, globular flower with a yellow center emerging from a stout stalk in the water; floating leaves large and circular.
Orange Flowered Azalea	<i>Rhododendron austrinum</i> (Small) Millais	Large shrub growing along water's edge. Tubular flowers orange and yellow with a reddish ting; long stamens and pistil emerging from flowers.
Wild Azalea	<i>Rhododendron canescens</i> (Michx.) Sweet	Large shrub growing along water's edge. Tubular flower white and pink; long stamens and pistil emerging from flowers.

Other Areas Along the Journey

Common name	Species	Structure of Interest
Flowering Dogwood	<i>Cornus florida</i> L	White, notched bracts (sometimes pink to reddish) subtended by tiny yellow flower clusters; bark checkered.
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i> L.	Crimson red to pink winged seeds on occurring in pairs on medium-sized trees; petioles (portion of stem between the leaf and main stem) red; leaf blades with 3-5 lobes.
Candy Root	<i>Polygala nana</i> (Micx.) DC.	Small herbaceous plant with yellow, compact flower clusters. Roots smell like wintergreen candy.
Yellow Jessamine	<i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i> (L.)	Twining, woody vine with shiny, yellow tubular flowers. Flowers fragrant.
Waxmyrtle	<i>Myrica cerifera</i> L.	Shrub often with multiple stems; bark thin and smooth, whitish to gray; leaves elongate with serrate tips, glandular dots on each side;