



Oklahoma Native Plant Society Wonders of Wildflowers

May 15-17, 2020

University of Central Oklahoma's Selman Living Lab

UCO's Selman Living Lab is located in the Cimarron Gypsum Hills of northwestern Oklahoma. It is a biological field station composed of a 320-acre natural area of mixed-grass prairie with gypsum outcrops, riparian areas, cave entrances, and sandsage grassland. A facilities site near the natural area has a trailer, two bunkhouses, and a multi-purpose building that is also a safe room with a kitchen and eating/meeting space. It also has astronomy domes and a number of telescopes.

Friday, May 15th

4:00-7:00 PM Registration & Social Time

Dinner on your own

7:00-12:00 PM Gypsum Hills flora slide show - *Gloria Caddell*

Astronomy activities - *Star creek Astronomical Society*

Saturday, May 16th

7:00-8:00 AM Breakfast

8:30-11:30 AM SLL Natural Area Field Trip

12:00-1:30 PM Box Lunch

2:00 – 5:00 PM Alabaster Caverns State Park Field Trip (*cave tour: adults \$10, seniors \$8*)

5:00 – 6:30 PM Dinner

6:30 – 9:00 PM Mexican free-tail bat flight viewing--*Bill Caire, mammalogist, (Bring a flashlight)*

Sunday, May 17th

7:30 - 8:30 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM → ONPS Board Meeting

Lodging Options:

1) **Bunk at the SLL facilities** site for free. The trailer can sleep 8 people on futons, and the bunkhouses (one male, one female) can comfortably sleep about 10 people each. You will need to bring a sleeping bag and pillow, towels, etc. ***If you wish to stay at the SLL, please e-mail Gloria Caddell at gcaddell@uco.edu as early as possible. Accommodations there will be first come-first served.***

2) **Camp at Alabaster Caverns State Park**, located about 7 miles from the SLL. Book a campsite through their website on travelok.com or call (580)621-3381.

3) **Cedar Canyon Lodge** is a very nice lodge (with just a few rooms) at the entrance to Alabaster Caverns State Park. Check availability by calling (580)621-3491.

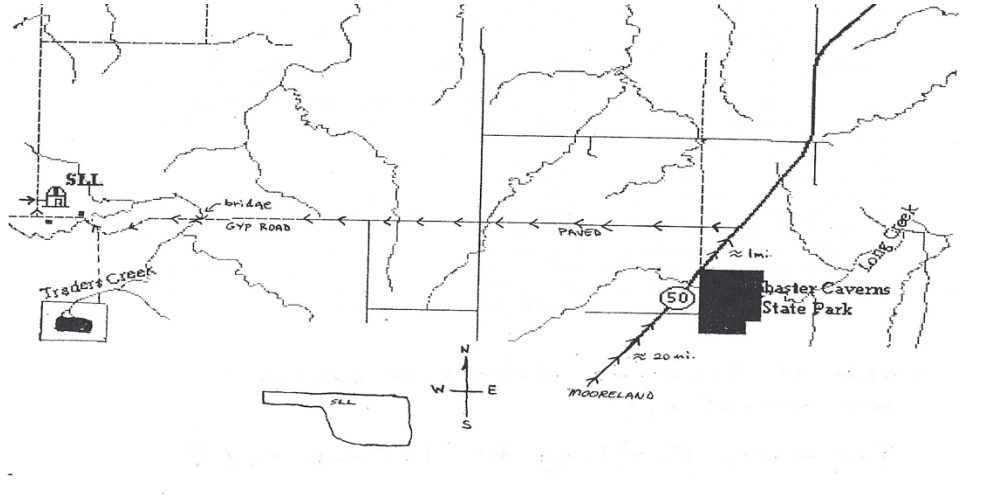
4) **Boiling Springs State Park** is located about 30 miles from the SLL. Book a cabin or campsite through their website on travelok.com or call (580)256-7664.

5) **Woodward**, about 30 miles from the SLL, has many motels, including: Northwest Inn, Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express, Days Inn, La Quinta, Candlewood Suites

6) **Alva**, about 40 miles from the SLL, also has several motels.

Contact persons: If you have questions about the meeting, contact Joe Roberts at joeroberts13@cox.net or (405)820-6851. For questions about the SLL and its facilities, please contact Gloria Caddell at gcaddell@uco.edu or (405)974-2722. On the days of the meeting, you can contact her on her cell phone at (405)823-4520.

Directions: The SLL is located in Woodward County, southwest of Freedom and west of Alabaster Caverns State Park. On State Highway 50, go one (1) mile north of the entrance to Alabaster Caverns State Park. Turn left (west) on Road EW21 – this is a paved road. Proceed along this road about 6 miles (be very careful, the road turns into a gyp-covered road with some potholes). You will cross a concrete bridge and go up a hill on which the road bends to the south and then back to the west. At the top of the hill, in the distance, you will see a white house on the right and just past that house is another house on the left (about ¼ mile) - This was Betty Selman's house. Just past her house turn right (north) on the section road. About 250 feet north is the entrance to the Selman Living Lab - white fence, trailer, buildings, domes, etc. See the map provided below. The SLL has no street address but can be found using Google Maps.



Map to the Selman Living Lab - 1 mile north, then 6 miles west of Alabaster Caverns State Park

Registration

Register online at the ONPS website www.oknativeplants.org OR mail registration to:
 Joe Roberts, 8113 Cloverdale Way, Yukon, OK 73099-8866
Make checks payable to: Oklahoma Native Plant Society

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

On-site registration will be available, **without meals**

_____ Registration Fee \$10.00

_____ Student Registration \$5.00

_____ Saturday Breakfast \$5.00 eggs, bacon, pancakes, cereal & beverage

_____ Saturday Lunch \$12.00 sandwich, chips & beverage (*select option below*)

_____ pulled pork _____ smoked turkey _____ vegetarian

Saturday Dinner (*select option below*)

_____ \$17.00 brisket, grilled chicken, sides, dessert & beverage

_____ \$14.00 vegetarian option, dessert & beverage

_____ Sunday Breakfast \$5.00 eggs, bacon, pancakes, cereal & beverage

_____ TOTAL Amount Enclosed

Please register as early as possible but no later than May 7, 2020 to ensure meals!

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