

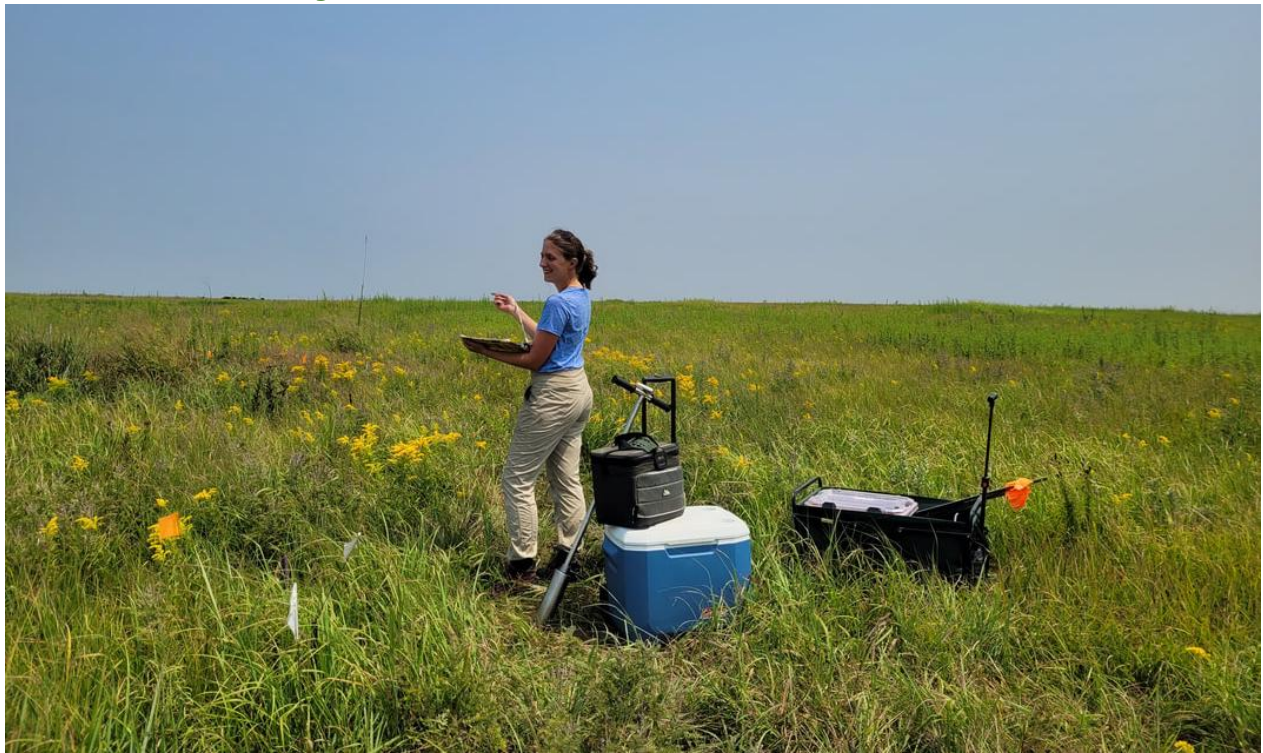


Piedmont Plateau - November 2022 E-News

PPG traditionally sponsors outings, trail/creek clean-ups, social gatherings and educational programs that address climate and environmental concerns in Guilford, Rockingham, Randolph, Richmond, and Montgomery Counties.
Joining together to Explore, Enjoy and Protect our Planet!

General Meeting and Environmental Program

Wednesday * November 9, 2022 * 6:15 - 8:00 PM



The Impact of Climate Change on Grasslands

Guest speaker, **Rosalie Terry**, will talk about how **UNC-G's Koerner Biodiversity Lab** investigates all aspects of biodiversity. The lab is primarily focused on grassland plant communities and the forces that create and maintain biodiversity within our rapidly changing world.

Rosalie graduated from the University of Pittsburgh in 2020 and is currently a PhD student in the Biology Dept. at UNCG. She is researching how disturbance and global change impact ecosystem function and processes in grasslands. Her research field site is located in Konza Prairie, Kansas.

PPG's general meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month; Group Socials start at 6:15; General meetings start at 6:30; Environmental Programs start at 6:45 PM

Join us in the Community Room at Deep Roots Market, 600 N. Eugene Street, Gso 27401
Sign up at: www.meetup.com/ppgsierraclub

Vote on Election Day: Nov. 8 or Vote Early: Oct. 20-Nov. 5

Sierra Club Endorsements for Important Midterm Election

Candidates endorsed by the national and state Sierra Club for 2022:

U.S. Senate: [Cheri Beasley](#)

U.S. Congress:

House, District 6: [Kathy Manning](#)

House, District 12: [Alma Adams](#)

Judicial (statewide)

N.C. Supreme Court, Seat 3: **Lucy Inman**
N.C. Supreme Court, Seat 5: **Samuel J. Ervin IV**
N.C. Court of Appeals, Seat 8: **Carolyn Jennings Thompson**
N.C. Court of Appeals, Seat 9: **Donna Stroud**
N.C. Court of Appeals, Seat 10: **Gale Murray Adams**
N.C. Court of Appeals, Seat 11: **Darren Jackson**

N.C. Senate

District 27 (Guilford): **Michael Garrett**

N.C. House

District 57 (Guilford): **Ashton Wheeler Clemmons**

District 61 (Guilford): **Pricey Harrison**

District 62 (Guilford): **Brandon Gray**

District 54 (Chatham, Randolph): **Robert Reives**

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## **Special Announcements**

### **~From the Piedmont Plateau Group:**

#### ***Message from PPG's Executive Committee:***

During our meetings, programs, outings and activities, most of us maintain a non-political, educational approach. However, after experiencing extremely high temperatures during last summer's heat wave that crossed the nation causing raging wildfires and life-threatening droughts and after witnessing the powerful remnants of Hurricane Ian as it swept through the Piedmont Plateau toppling trees, flooding streams and damaging homes, we realized that we must do more than inform others about our climate crisis.

As we listen to world reports about rising sea levels, the growing list of endangered species, the rising rate of cancer, as well as the rising worldwide inflation rate, it becomes crucial that we must elect officials who will stand up to BIG OIL, BIG COAL, BIG CHEMICAL—the BIG POLLUTERS—the driving forces behind our climate crisis, contamination and inflation. Our country needs officials who address high inflation with bold new approaches to the economy that include 'across the board' clean and renewable energy solutions.

It's for these reasons that we list the slate of candidates that are endorsed by the Sierra Club and encourage all members to recognize the importance of electing candidates who put people before polluters and communities before corporations. In our opinion it's time to do more than vote, it's time to share this information with all of our contacts. Even the ones in other cities and states can gain from the NC and national Sierra Club lists which are provided in the following two announcements. Please join us by forwarding this E-news and VOTING for candidates who pledge to work for a cleaner environment.

### **~From the North Carolina Chapter of Sierra Club:**

#### ***Vote for the Environment and All Who Live in It!***

The NC Sierra Club works tirelessly to get more environmental champions elected at every level of government. We need environmental champions on the bench! NC's high court judges have the final say on legal fights over everything from mining permits to coal ash cleanup to water quality. For a full list of our endorsements across NC, visit: [sc.org/ncEndorsements](http://sc.org/ncEndorsements).

### **~From the National Office of Sierra Club:**

#### ***Endorsements for The US Senate and House are announced by The National Sierra Club!***

For information about the Sierra Club's federal endorsements, visit: [Congressional Endorsements](http://CongressionalEndorsements)

#### ***Urge the EPA to Finalize the Strongest Methane Safeguards Possible!***

Take action today and urge the Environmental Protection Agency to issue a strong supplemental rule to cut methane and air pollution from the oil and gas industry! Sign [Sierra Club AddUp petition](http://SierraClubAddUppetition) now!

### **~From Local Environmental Groups:**

***All Souls Natural Burial Association*** is pleased to announce their 4th Annual Members Meeting & Open House, Saturday, November 5, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, at 1300 Jefferson Rd., Greensboro, NC. There will be some great speakers, snacks and freedom to tour the grounds. *PPG's Water Conservation Advisor*, Marie Noel, will be speaking about the memorial pollinator garden and the grounds' native plant work. She encourages anyone interested to come on out!

#### **PPG Officers, Committee Chairs and Advisors**

***Hazel Landers, Group Chair, E-news Editor***

***Karen Katula, Vice Chair, Outings Leader***

***Tom Taylor, Treasurer, Outings Chair***

***Linda Margo, Secretary, Programs Chair***

***Don Henza, Conservation Chair***

***Marie Noel, Water Conservation Advisor***

*Boots Howard, Membership Advisor  
Ned Pearson, Communications Advisor  
Nicole Gaines, Political Advisor  
Thomas Hatfield, Website Team Advisor*

### Sierra Club Statement of Purpose

- To explore and protect the wild places of the Earth.
- To practice and promote the responsible use of the Earth's ecosystems and resources.
- To educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and the human environment.

Comments or suggestions? Contact us at [Sierrapiedmontplateau@gmail.com](mailto:Sierrapiedmontplateau@gmail.com).

Websites: [North Carolina Chapter](#) | [Piedmont Plateau Group](#)

