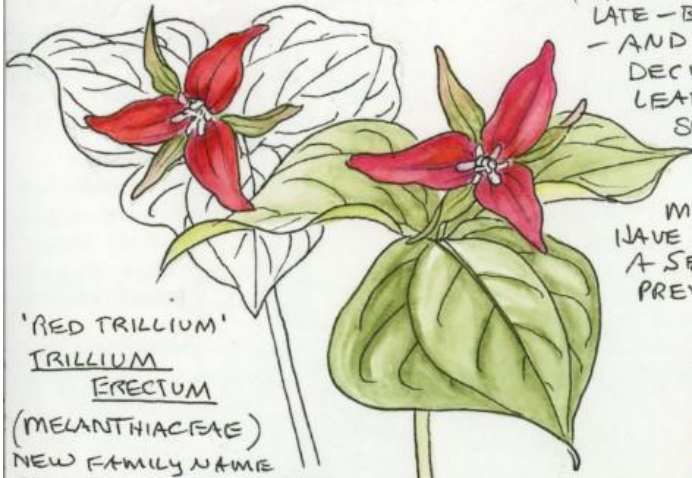


MT PROSPECT MAY 10 2018
 WEEKS STATE PARK BIRD OUTING

ONE OF THE TRIP LEADERS SAID THE WILD FLOWERS (SPRING Ephemerals) ARE LATE - BY ABOUT 5 DAYS - AND THAT BECAUSE THE DECIDUOUS TREES WILL LEAF OUT ON SCHEDULE, THE WILD FLOWERS MIGHT NOT HAVE AS SUCCESSFUL A SEASON AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS.



'RED TRILLIUM'
TRILLIUM
ERECTUM

(MELANTHIACEAE)
 NEW FAMILY NAME TO ME.
 INCLUDES VERATRUM



'EARLY SAXIFRAGE'
MICRANTHES
VIRGINIENSIS
 (SAXIFRAGACEAE)

NOT QUITE FULLY EXPANDED

ROCKY HABITAT

LEAVES VARY, STEM SLIGHTLY STICKY, HAIRY



'CANADA COLUMBINE'
AQUILEGIA
CANADENSIS
 (RANUNCULACEAE)

TEENS OF THOUSANDS OF 'ORPINES', SEDUMTELEPHIUM (CRASSULACEAE) ALONG THE ROADSIDE.

YELLOW GREEN DUSTY PINK



'COLTSFOOT'
TUSSILAGO
FARFARA
 ASTERACEAE

RED BROWN

BIG COLONY OF THIS IN OUR LAWN ON BAPTIST HILL

'SESSILE BELLWORT'
UVULARIA
SESSILIFOLIA
 (COLCHICACEAE)

INCLUDES GLORIOSA
 FAMILY WAS LILIACEAE

'NORTHERN WHITE VIOLET'
VIOLA PALLENS
 (VIOLACEAE)

THE FIRST COLUMBINE I SPOTTED, STILL IN BUD



LEAVES TOO COMPLEX TO TAKE TIME TO SKETCH ON A GROUP BIRDING WALK

'DUTCHMAN'S BREECHES'
DICENTRA
CUCULLARIA
 (PAPAVERACEAE)

POPCOPIE IN TREE. BRANCHES OBSTRUCT OUR VIEW SO CAN'T SEE IF FRONT OR BACK OF THE ANIMAL!



TROUT LILY
ERYTHRONIUM
AMERICANUM
 (LILIACEAE)



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