

Wildflower Walk with Bill Dunmire Part II
Placitas
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A Slide Show in Three Parts

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Continuing on Palomino Road Terrace



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Figure: View west toward Santa Ana Mesa.

Feather Dalea or Indigobush



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Figure: Dalea formosa.

Wild Celery or Chimaya



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Figure: Cymopterus fendleri.

Globe-mallow



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Figure: Sphaeralcea sp.

Stemless Evening Primrose



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Figure: *Oenothera caespitosa*.

Stemless Evening Primrose—A closer look



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Figure: Oenothera caespitosa.

Prickly Pear Cactus



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Figure: Opuntia phaeacantha.

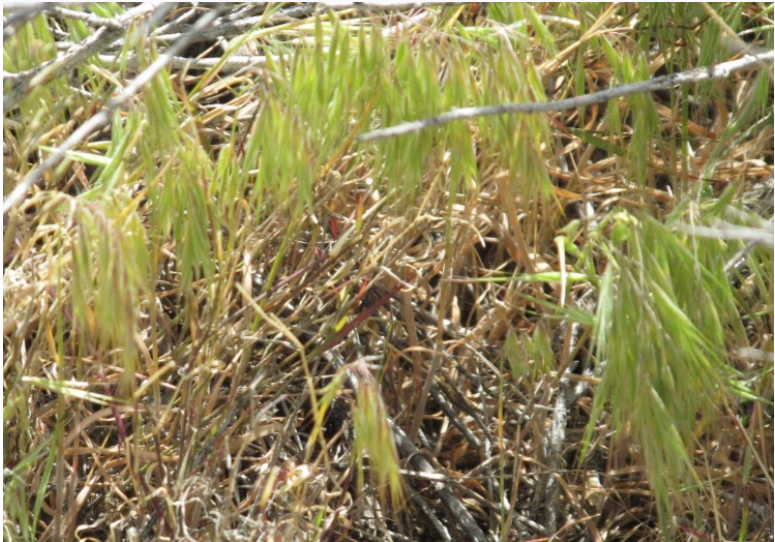
Bottlebrush Squirreltail Grass



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Figure: Elymus elymoides.

Cheatgrass



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Figure: Bromus tectorum.

Ripening Heads of Cheatgrass



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Figure: Bromus tectorum.

Pincushion Cactus



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Figure: Coryphantha vivipara.

Ring Muhly



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Figure: Muhlenbergia torreyi.

Las Huertas Creek



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Figure: From west slope of Palomino Road terrace. View before descending into the drainage area.

Common Stickleaf



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Figure: Mentzelia pumila.

Fluffgrass



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Figure: Dasyochloa pulchella.

Sticky Rabbitbrush



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Figure: Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus.

Carpet Verbena



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Figure: Verbena bracteata.

Sand Verbena



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Figure: Abronia fragrans.

Throated Trumpet



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Figure: Ipomopsis longiflora.

Clouds in the East



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Figure: Wildflowers of the Sky.

Acknowledgements

Bill Dunmire has led a Placitas Wildflower Walk every spring since 1996. Recently the Walks have been organized by Lolly Jones, an officer of the Las Placitas Association, with the cooperation of the Native Plant Society of New Mexico.

While busy preparing for a trip to China, Bill generously took time out to review an early version of these photographs and assisted with identifications. Thanks to Bill, a high percentage of the photos are correctly labeled. I am responsible for residual errors and heartily welcome corrections.

Many photographs in this collection are from George Ruptier. I noticed George lagging behind on the Wildflower Walk carefully taking photographs. I was near the back of the group, too, with notepad in one hand, walking stick in the other hand and a camera hanging from my neck, grabbing the camera frequently for the sake of keeping a record. I thought George would have more and better photos than mine, and I was right. Fortunately he volunteered his photos for this collection.

We hope you will enjoy these photos for what they are: a fleeting reminder of things seen on that day. They were taken around Noon in direct sunlight while the group moved along at a random pace, conditions not ideal for photography as art. For tips on artful wildflower photography, see the reference section.

– Mike

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