

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

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## *That slump again*



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*Figure:* At the edge of Las Huertas Creek. Ravages of the storms.

## *Apache Plume*



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*Figure: Fallugia paradoxa.*







## *Unidentified Composite*



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*Figure:* Indefinite from photograph.

## *Woolly Plantain or Woolly Indian-wheat*



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*Figure: Plantago purshii.*

## Paintbrush



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*Figure: Castilleja integra .*

## Apache Plume and Junipers



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*Figure:* Floodway of Las Huertas Creek, looking back east toward Palomino Road terrace.

## Cool Clear Water



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*Figure:* Fresh-flowing past the slump.



## *Water, Earth and Sky*



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*Figure:* Whence comes the water?

## Scarlet Gaura



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*Figure: Gaura coccinea.*



## *Stickseed and Spectaclepod*



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*Figure:* Stickseed (*Lappula redowskii*) at left, Spectaclepod (*Dimorphocarpa wizlizeni*) at right, and stalks of Scorpionweed (*Phacelia corrugata*) in front

## *Stickseed*



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*Figure: Lappula redowskii.*

## *One Heckofa Wild Horse*



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## *And Four More*



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## *Headin' Home*



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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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