NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY OF NEW MEXICO Otero Chapter 2023 REPORT

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2023 Programs and Activities

21 events were conducted, with a combined attendance of 146 attendees. There were 19 chapter events, not including the Alpine conference, and the grant committee meeting.

10 members attended 5 or more events, which accounts for 62% of attendance. 5 of those 10 people are elected officers (6 positions in total).

27 out of 42 attendees/members (64%) whom participated in events, went to 2 or fewer events.

Advertising free hikes, open to non-members, through flyers, Facebook, the newspaper, etc. yielded no results from the public. Participation in public events, like Earth Day, the Succulent Bar, and the county fair, had much greater interaction from the public.

Grants/Scholarships

The Otero chapter awarded one grant for \$3,000 to Ms. Bryana Olmeda, a graduate student at UNM for funding toward her study of the flora of the Brokeoff Mountains.

Treasurer's Report

See attached report