

NEWS RELEASE

North American Butterfly Association Announces a Butterfly Garden Guide for Eastern Kansas

MORRISTOWN, NJ (November 2011) - Loss of habitat is a primary threat to wild butterflies. With fewer wild areas available that support their life cycle, people in many areas in the United States see fewer butterflies in general and fewer species of butterflies in particular. While many of the factors that threaten butterfly habitat, such as urbanization and climate change, are beyond individual control, everyone can do their part to help increase butterfly habitat by planting nectar and caterpillar food plants that are appropriate to the region in which they live. Restoring butterfly habitat is something to which each of us can contribute.

The North American Butterfly Association is happy to announce its latest Butterfly Garden Guide. Prepared specially for eastern Kansas, this guide provides gardeners and homeowners in the southern and western portions of the Kansas City Metropolitan area (Johnson, Miami, Franklin, and Linn counties) with all the information they need on how to start a butterfly habitat. Visit www.nababutterfly.com to view the new guide.

With a large number of different butterflies seen in the Kansas City area, it can be daunting to know where to start. The Eastern Kansas Garden Guide provides photos and descriptions of the most commonly seen butterflies in the area and the plants that those butterflies prefer.

The guide is intended for everyone who would like to increase butterfly habitat, no matter what garden size is available to them. From a few potted plants on a patio to a ten-acre roadside planting, beautiful butterfly gardens can be created with the help of this guide that will increase the area available for butterflies to grow and reproduce.

The North American Butterfly Association, Inc. (NABA), a non-profit organization, was formed to promote public enjoyment and conservation of butterflies. Membership in NABA is open to all those who share our purpose. To find out more, please visit www.naba.org

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