

entrance. Note: In Kentucky, there is a \$1 per vehicle charge for those who are not members of Kentucky.

**Please wear your seat belts. We will look for them at the Plover Plaza Area at meetings.**

**We look forward to seeing each and every one of you!**

## A Message from the President:

My summer in nature is having a great success. I spent 4 weeks in the mountains of West Virginia on a rare plant survey project in the Monongahela National Forest. I encountered several interesting plants and natural communities. However, I also came to realize that my body's not as young as I once was, and while I've always loved the mountains, my body is making a case for confining my survey work to the flatter natural communities.

One disturbing observation in West Virginia was the extremely destructive level of deer browse. This is becoming a problem in parts of Kentucky, but I have never seen it as destructive as what I encountered there. There were areas of the forest where there was no herb layer at all except for the few plants that deer apparently don't eat such as stinging nettle, some ferns, smooth white clover and round-headed yellow clover. Kentucky is in

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