

This month's weed/plant is native to the eastern half of the United States and central Mexico and is common to Arkansas roadsides and ditches. It is unique in appearance and a member of the Rubiaceae or “madder” family. Leaves are opposite to whorled, and it can be mistaken for poison ivy. It can be difficult to identify until the characteristic globe shaped reproductive structures appear. Cultivated forms are grown as ornamentals – and in that case...not weeds. Be the first to ID this weed by [filling out the form.](#)

Congratulations to last month's winner, Lance Blythe!



