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NPSO Annual Meeting 2017 in Roseburg

by Dan Luoma

Roseburg, Oregon is set in the "Hundred Valleys of the Umpqua" and Douglas County encompasses the drainage basin of the Umpqua River. Our meeting location is situated on the Diamond Lake Highway (138), east of the downtown area. Roseburg's historic downtown area offers interesting retail shops, art galleries, and unique restaurants. Nestled amongst the valleys of the Umpqua, one can find numerous vineyards with wine tasting experiences. Heading east on 138 the highway follows a picturesque route past campsites, waterfalls, and hiking trails, paralleling the North Umpqua River. Past Diamond Lake, the highway continues to the turnoff for Crater Lake. The Umpqua Valley Chapter and the Corvallis Chapter are happy to host the 2017 Annual Meeting in the beautiful "Land of Umpqua" and we hope you can join us in experiencing this beautiful landscape.

A printable registration form will be posted soon on the annual meeting website; look for a link on the main NPSO page or the Corvallis Chapter web site: corvallis.npsoregon.org. A hard copy registration form will be inserted in the March NPSO *Bulletin*. Student scholarships to attend the meeting will be available. Deadline for priority registration at reduced cost is May 7.

Lodging will be on your own. Motel options: <http://roseburgareachamber.org/directory/categoryDetail.php?cat1=Lodging> Douglas County Parks with camping:

<http://www.co.douglas.or.us/parks/campgrounds.asp>
Camping opportunities on the Umpqua National Forest are extensive, but not very close to Roseburg: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/umpqua/recreation/?cid=stelprdb5373219>

SCHEDULE OUTLINE

Friday, June 9

Optional short field trips in the afternoon. Check-in begins at 3 pm at Phoenix School, 3131 NE Diamond Lake Blvd., Roseburg. Social hour and light dinner at 6:30 pm will be followed by a presentation.

Saturday, June 10

Field trips during the day will be followed by a banquet in the evening. The current field trip destination list includes:

- Beatty Creek, Shoestring Rd., Doe Creek
- Bilge Ridge
- Callahan Meadow
- Cedar Springs Mtn., Goolaway Gap
- Cougar Bluffs
- Fall Creek Falls
- King Mtn. rock garden
- Limpy Rock Research Natural Area
- Little River, Lake in the Woods
- Pyramid Rock
- Hemlock Lake
- Illahee Rock
- Lookout Mountain
- Twin Lakes
- Popcorn Swale & other nearby sites
- Sparrow Park Rd. beach dunes and

Elkton Community Education Center

Given the potential for a very high snowpack this year, some fieldtrips may have alternate destinations (similar to the 2008 meeting).

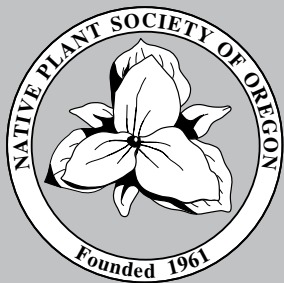
For the banquet keynote, Dr. Kevin Weitemier, member of the Center for Genome Research & Biocomputing at OSU, will give a presentation that addresses how molecular tools can be used to inform the natural history of plants.

Sunday, June 11

NPSO State Board meeting, all are welcome. Optional short field trips will be offered.

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Plan Now for Native Plant Appreciation Week

Though the weather outside is frightful, the arrival of spring will be so delightful. While dreaming of spring, it's never too early to start planning for this year's Native Plant Appreciation Week, taking place April 23–29, 2017. This is the largest coordinated public outreach event for the Native Plant Society of Oregon and an excellent opportunity for society chapters throughout the state to sponsor workshops, hikes, plant sales, etc. and help increase their chapter's visibility and membership. We all get much busier as the weather improves so now is the time to plan. Be sure to post your activities in the NPSO *Bulletin* and to let the NPAW Committee know about them as well. Email any information to Judi Sanders at judi.sanders@gmail.com.

IT'S STILL RENEWAL TIME

The NPSO membership year is January to December.

If you haven't already renewed for 2017, check your address label on this *Bulletin*. If you see 2016 printed along the top of the label, you need to renew. Your membership will lapse if you do not send in your dues soon. Renew now to make sure you don't miss receiving NPSO publications. NPSO brings you field trips, programs, classes, the *Bulletin*, and *Kalmiopsis*.

You can renew online at npsoregon.org/online.html

NPSO Seeks Candidates

Please consider taking the opportunity to serve our Society by running for election to one of the state-wide officer or at-large board of director positions. Interested persons and people with ideas for potential candidates may contact Dan Luoma by email (daniel.luoma@oregonstate.edu) for more information.



EarthShare Liaison Still Needed

EarthShare Oregon (ESOR) is a workplace fundraising entity for environmental organizations. NPSO is a member group and as such we receive funding through ESOR. We are looking for an NPSO volunteer to be our liaison to ESOR. The main tasks are to coordinate the annual affiliation agreement in the spring, to recruit promotional items and volunteers to staff ESOR events such as workplace presentations, and make occasional ESOR webpage updates, which includes letting ESOR members know of NPSO volunteer opportunities or events. This is a key position as we rely on these funds to support NPSO field research grants, Institute for Applied Ecology interns, Oregon Flora Project, and mailing out the *Bulletin*. If you are interested, please contact Lisa Blackburn at president@npsoregon.org.

NPSO CALENDAR

State Notes

NPSO Annual Meeting 2017

June 9-11 2017, Friday-Sunday

Corvallis and Umpqua Valley Chapters will jointly host the NPSO Annual Meeting 2017 in Roseburg, with the meeting location at Phoenix School. Look for more information and a registration form in the March *Bulletin*.

Blue Mountain

For information on Blue Mountain Chapter call Jerry Baker, 541-566-2244. To get on our email list, contact flora.id@wtechlink.us.

Cheahmill

For questions, or to be added to the Cheahmill Chapter's email list for reminders of upcoming programs and events, please contact the Cheahmill Chapter President at ch_president@NPSOoregon.org.

Meeting and work party location:

Carnegie Room, McMinnville Public Library, 225 NW Adams St. (corner of Highway 99W and SW Second St.), McMinnville. Parking lot entrances on Adams and Second Streets.

February 18, Saturday, 1 pm

Dedication: Native Plant Garden.

This event has been rescheduled twice due to weather and other issues. NPSO garden crew members will place a memorial stone in the native plant garden at McMinnville Public Library to honor Susan Williams, a founding member of the Cheahmill Chapter, who died October 3, 2016. She helped design and plant this garden. For 22 years, she organized monthly work parties to tend the garden. A short ceremony will dedicate the garden to her memory. Location: meet in the Carnegie Room of the library.

February 23, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: How Soils Affect Plant Growth.

Most people only have a vague idea of what soil is and how it works. James Cassidy of OSU will describe how elements in the soil influence our

native plants. You will learn more than you ever thought possible from this lecture: the reason you are alive, what nutrients are, and how soil stores water and nutrients. Program starts at 7 pm; doors open at 6:45 for socializing. Location: McMinnville Public Library, see above for details.

IMPORTANT NOTE TO FIELD TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Field trips take place rain or shine, so proper dress and footwear are essential. **BRING WATER AND LUNCH.** Trips may be strenuous and/or hazardous. Participation is at your own risk. Be prepared to sign a release form indicating this. A sample waiver form is available at http://npsoregon.org/documents/NPSO_waiver.pdf. Please contact the trip leader or chapter representative about difficulty, distance, and terrain to be expected on field trips. Dogs are not allowed. All NPSO field trips are open to the public at no charge (other than contribution to carpool driver) and newcomers and visitors are always welcome. You must pre-register for all events. National Forests require a Northwest Forest Pass for some field trip locations. Permits can be acquired at forest headquarters and ranger districts.

NOTICE TO FIELD TRIP CHAIRS AND LEADERS

The Forest Service and other agencies have set policies limiting group size in many wilderness areas to 12. The reason is to limit human impacts on these fragile areas. Groups using wilderness areas should be no larger than 12. A trip leader checklist and sample waiver form are available at: <http://npsoregon.org/calendar.html>

February 25, Saturday, 10 am-noon

Work Party: Native Plant Garden.

The Native Plant Garden at McMinnville Public Library requires a garden crew working only a couple of hours a month to keep it "tamed." Join us to prune, weed, and otherwise tend the garden. Dress for the weather and bring gloves, a bucket and gardening tools if you have them. Location: McMinnville Public Library, see above for details. For more information, contact Catie Anderson at catie.fishback@gmail.com or 503-435-2401.

Corvallis

For questions, information on upcoming events, or to be on the Corvallis chapter e-mail list, contact co_president@NPSOoregon.org.

February 13, Monday, 7:30 pm

Meeting/Program: Growing Native Plants in the Home Garden.

Joyce Eberhart, a senior faculty research assistant at OSU in Forestry and Crop and Soil Science, will discuss growing native plants in the home garden. She will share photos from her gardens and discuss selecting plants and designing a landscape. She will also share her favorite books and websites for identifying, selecting, and planting native species in the garden. New Location for 2017: Cordley Hall, Room 2087 on the OSU Campus. If you have questions or need more information, contact Judi Sanders at judi.sanders@gmail.com or Louise at 541-753-0012.

February 25, Saturday, noon-4 pm

Work Party: Native Plant Garden.

Come help with winter clean-up, pruning, and plant divisions. Location: Avery House in Avery Park. Contact Esther for more information at 541-754-0893 or estherco@peak.org.

Emerald

Visit the Emerald Chapter Web site at <http://emerald.npsoregon.org> to learn more about the latest chapter events, plant lists

& botanical information about Lane County plants & the people who love them.

New Meeting Location: The Stellaria Building, 150 Shelton-McMurphey Boulevard, Suite 104, Eugene. Head east on West 3rd Avenue until it turns into Shelton-McMurphey Boulevard. Stellaria is inside Hummingbird Wholesale.

February 16, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Oregon Native Plant Pollination Biology. Brian Dykstra explores the diverse interwoven stories of native plants and native plant pollinators. He discusses his own research on the rare serpentine endemic, the golden inside-out flower, *Vancouveria chrysantha*, and highlights many other interesting pollination stories in Oregon. Meeting location: Upstairs in the Stellaria Building, 150 Shelton-McMurphey Boulevard in Eugene, see above for details. For more information, go to NPSOregon.org.

March 4, Saturday, 10 am-1:30 pm

Field Trip: Tour the South Meadow at Mt. Pisgah to View Early Seasonal Wildflowers. Dave Predeek takes us on a walk to view flood plane restoration work and a disjunct population of *Emmonia stipitatum*, dwarf rue-anemone, of the buttercup family. This is the only population of *E. stipitatum* in Lane County, with just 2 other populations in the Willamette Valley. Total walking distance is two miles. Dress for weather. Bring water and snacks. Location: Meet at Mt. Pisgah Arboretum. From I-5, turn east at 30th Avenue in South Eugene and go two miles east on Seavey Loop Drive. For further information call Dave at 541-345-5531.

Filipendula

This is a newly formed chapter for the northern Oregon coast area. For more information, visit our Facebook page: NPSO-Filipendula Chapter, or contact Field Trip Chair Carla Cole, colectarla@yahoo.com.

High Desert

For information, visit the High Desert Chapter website: www.highdesertnpsoregon.org and Facebook page: Native Plant

Society of Oregon: High Desert Chapter, or email highdesertnps@gmail.com.

Klamath Basin

For information on the Klamath Basin Chapter, visit <http://klamathbasinnps.com> or contact the chapter president, Kim Elliott, kb_president@NPSOregon.org.

Mid-Columbia

For information on the Mid-Columbia Chapter, contact Sara Wu at mc_president@NPSOregon.org.

February 16, Thursday

Program: TBA. The chapter will meet with time, location, and program TBA. Watch for further information via email.

Portland

If you would like to receive the chapter's semi-official email newsletter, The Calochortus, email Don Jacobson at donjphoto@gmail.com.

Facebook: Take a look at our Facebook page. Native Plant Society of Oregon-Portland-Chapter. It will have the most up-to-date information on hike and other events as well as great plant pictures.

The Portland Chapter meets the second Thursday of most months. Meetings and programs begin at 7:00 pm. **MEETING PLACE: TaborSpace at Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, 5441 SE Belmont St., Portland.** We will meet in **Copeland Commons**; enter the church through the main door off Belmont and turn right to enter the room. Parking is available in the church lot on the NW corner of SE 54th and Belmont.

February 9, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Sometimes to Save a River You Have to Buy It. The Western Rivers Conservancy has been working to conserve and protect lands on more than 48 rivers in eight western states. This presentation by Jim Cox, director of donor relations, and Josh Kling, assistant program director, will focus on river acquisitions in Oregon and Washington, with information on native

plants of interest around these areas. Meeting location: Copeland Commons, TaborSpace, Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church. See above for details. Contact: Mary at alphiesmith@comcast.net or 503-288-4340.

March 9, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Invasive Forest Pests in Oregon. Invasive forest insects cause extensive damage that negatively impacts our environment and economy in Oregon. Brandy Saffell with the OSU Extension Service in the Metro region will introduce two high-priority pests, the emerald ash borer and the Asian long-horned beetle. She and others are working to keep these insects out of Oregon forests and will provide tips on how to identify them and report sightings. She will also share information about the Oregon Master Naturalist Program. Meeting location: Copeland Commons, TaborSpace, Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, see above for details. Contact: Mary at alphiesmith@comcast.net or 503-288-4340.

Siskiyou

To join the Siskiyou Chapter email list: Send an email, from the address at which you want to receive announcements, to announce-join@siskiyou.npsoregon.org. No subject or message is required. You will get a confirmation email. If you would like to volunteer to lead a hike in 2017, make a suggestion, or provide feedback regarding the field trip program, please contact Julie Spelletich at: jspelletich@gmail.com. Join us on Facebook at: [facebook.com/SiskiyouChapterNativePlantSocietyOfOregon](https://www.facebook.com/SiskiyouChapterNativePlantSocietyOfOregon).

February 16, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Siskiyou Botanical Areas and Stewardship. Jeanine Moy will discuss rare plant species of the Klamath-Siskiyou Mountains and examine a few of the 130 designated botanical areas created to protect our rare plants. Learn about ways to participate in a community of stewardship for these special places. Jeanine Moy is a passionate naturalist and educator with a degree in Applied Ecology from Cornell University. She is outreach director for the Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center and manages the Adopt-a-Botanical Area Program. Refreshments at 6:45

pm, meeting and program at 7:00 pm. Location: Southern Oregon University Science Building, Room 161. Free and open to the public. For information contact Dave at 541-535-5355.

Umpqua Valley

Visit umpquavalleynativeplants.com for more information on chapter activities or to be added to our email list. Check out our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/UmpquaValleyNPSO. Not online - call Donna Rawson 541-459-2821.

Willamette Valley

For program information, contact John Savage at 503-399-8615.

February 2, Thursday, 6 pm

Nature Talk: Alpine Flora of Turkey and Israel. Join Roger Brewer, past president of the Portland Chapter, for a presentation on Turkey's central mountains and Israel's Mount Hermon and Hula Valley. The talk will include photographs of these scenic areas and their flora. Learn about plants that look similar to Oregon species, as well as many that are new and unique. Co-sponsored by the Willamette Valley Chapter and the Straub Environmental Center. Location: Eco Hub at the Willamette Heritage Center, 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem. Open to the public. Cost: \$5 suggested donation at the door.

William Cusick

Visit our Web site at <http://williamcusick.npsoregon.org> or contact Susan Geer at 541-963-0477 or Emelie Montgomery-Jones at 541-963-3339 for updates and general information. Chapter notices and communications are done primarily through a Google group. Members are reminded to contact Susan or Emelie if they want to be added to the Google group, or if they do not have internet access and want to be contacted by phone for events.

OTHER EVENTS

Yamhill Soil & Water Conservation District

March 2-4, Thursday-Saturday, Order Ahead

Sale: Native Plants. Great Selection. Low Prices. Good Quality. You will enjoy our amazing collection of over 50 species of native trees, shrubs, and understory plants. Bare root and container plants available. Order ahead, limited availability on days of sale. Proceeds benefit Miller Woods. Location: Yamhill Valley Heritage Center, 22450 SW Durham Lane, McMinnville. March 2 & 3, 9 am-6 pm, March 4, 9 am-3 pm. For more information and to order plants, visit yamhillswcd.org or call 503-472-6403.

Hood River Soil & Water Conservation District

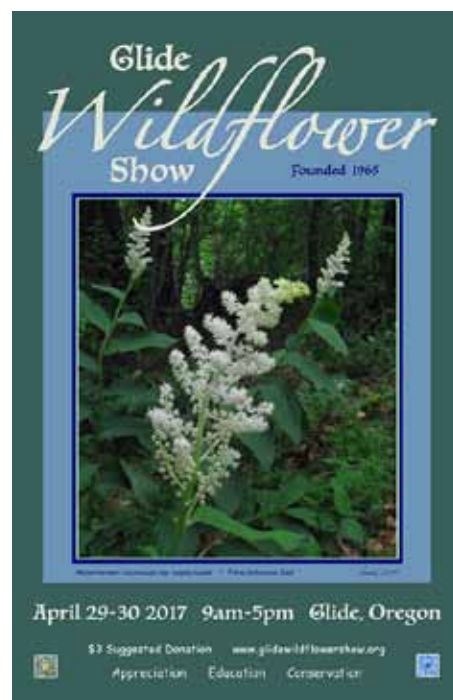
April 7-8, Friday-Saturday, Order Ahead

Sale: Native Plants. Every spring the Hood River SWCD hosts a native tree and shrub sale. It is a convenient and inexpensive way to obtain plants that are sometimes hard to find. We offer a variety of native conifers, deciduous trees and shrubs. To view species pictures and descriptions and download an order form, visit <http://hoodriverswcd.org/projects/plants/>. Location: pick up your order at the OSU Experiment Station Cold Storage Building on April 7-8.

Glide Wildflower Show

April 29-30, Saturday-Sunday, 9 am-5 pm

Event: Wildflower Show. Close out Native Plant Appreciation Week with over 600 species of native flora artfully displayed and labeled. There will also be special displays, books and homemade pies for sale, talks, and a guided wildflower walk. Photographers-only hour: 8-9 am. Handicapped accessible. \$3 suggested donation. Location: Glide Community Center in Glide, 17 miles east of Roseburg on Highway 138. For more information, visit glidewildflower-show.org or email info@glidewildflower-show.org.



*Save the Date! Glide Wildflower Show
April 29-30 2017*

GLIDE WILDFLOWER SHOW

Cheahmill Chapter Plants Roadside Natives

Volunteers from the NPSO Cheahmill Chapter joined staff of the Yamhill Soil & Water Conservation District and the Yamhill County Public Works Department on November 3 and 9, 2016, to plant a native bunchgrass. Roemer's fescue was planted alongside the newly reconstructed intersection of Abbey, Kuehne, and Hendricks roads.

This is the second phase of a demonstration project designed to show how using native plants on roadsides can simultaneously benefit road maintenance work, native pollinators, and natural beauty. The first phase started in October 2015 when the coalition

planted native Willamette Valley dry prairie wildflowers in the island triangle created where the three roads intersect. Summer of 2016 saw blooming natives, including showy tarweed (*Madia elegans*), farewell to spring (*Clarkia amoena*), and blue-headed gilia (*Gilia capitata*). The project was undertaken at the invitation of the Yamhill County Public Works Department. This has been a successful cooperative effort among the three groups, and showcases best practices in the field. The Chapter hopes to continue this cooperative effort with local county support.

Take Your Green Team to the Next Level

Do you work for an employer that has a Green Team or Sustainability Committee? Many workplaces have groups like these that aim to cut waste and shrink their carbon footprint.

But how does your organization move forward once employees learn to turn their monitors off and start composting in the kitchen? There's so much more that you can do.

EarthShare Oregon helps employers raise their sustainability

standards year after year by connecting their employees with dozens of local member charities (including NPSO). These nonprofits can help your company's green team explore new sustainability avenues—from renewable energy at the office to bicycle commuting programs.

Contact Meghan Humphreys at 503-223-9015 or meghan@earthshare-oregon.org and learn how you can help reinvestigate your Green Team.

Grant Proposals Requested

NPSO will continue to sponsor small field research grants. The objectives of the program are:

1. To stimulate basic field research into the biology and distribution of Oregon's native and naturalized flora and vegetation, particularly in the more remote areas of the state.
2. To promote native plant conservation through better understanding of Oregon's flora and vegetation and the factors affecting their survival.

Research proposals are due annually by March 1. The guidelines are available online at: npsoregon.org/grants.html. For a paper copy of the program policy and guidelines, contact:

Dan Luoma, Field Research Grants Committee Chair
5 NW Edgewood Dr.
Corvallis, OR 97330
541-752-8860

OSU Herbarium Welcomes New Curator

Dr. Melanie Link-Pérez is the new curator of the Oregon State University Herbarium. Melanie received her Ph.D. in 2010 from Miami University, where she studied the systematics of the neotropical fern genus *Adiantopsis*. She has taught at SUNY Oneonta, University of Oklahoma, and most recently Armstrong State University in Savannah, Georgia. In her new position, Melanie will be responsible for curation of the Oregon State University Herbarium, teaching in the Department of Botany and Plant Pathology, and serving as head advisor for undergraduate Botany majors. She also will continue her *Adiantopsis* research. Melanie is excited about her move to the Pacific Northwest, and she is eager to begin exploring Oregon and its flora. To this end, she will be contributing the treatments of *Medicago* and *Ribes* to the *Flora of Oregon*, volumes 2 and 3, respectively.



Dr. Melanie Link-Pérez

MELANIE LINK-PÉREZ

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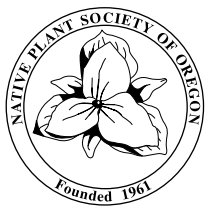
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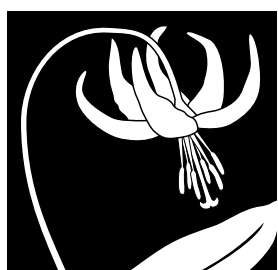
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