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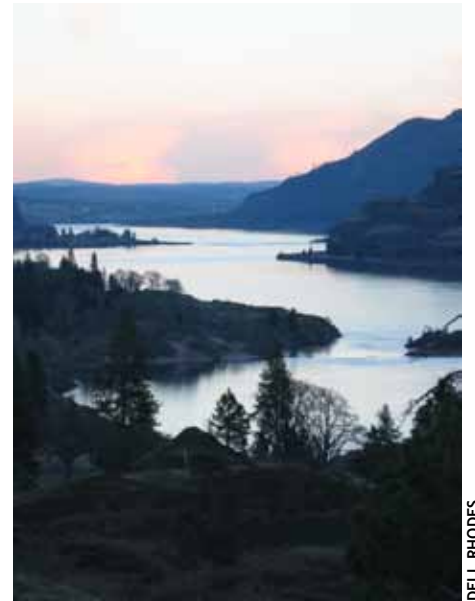
## NPSO Annual Meeting 2015: the Heart of the Columbia River Gorge

by Elizabeth Stanek, Mosier

The 2015 Annual Meeting, sponsored by the Mid-Columbia Chapter, will be held in Hood River, in the heart of the Columbia River Gorge, May 29–May 31. The Gorge, approximately 85 miles long, is the only place in the Cascade Range where the mountains are divided by a river at near sea level. The Columbia is a mighty river, draining an area the size of France, with headwaters in the Rocky Mountains of British Columbia. It is by volume the fourth largest river in the United States. It provided one of the earliest passage-ways into the continent for explorers such as David Douglas and John Kirk

Townsend and, of course, became the passage west for the Meriwether Lewis and William Clark expedition. For many years before that event, Native Americans from hundreds of miles around gathered at Celilo Falls, just east of what is now the town of The Dalles, to celebrate and trade during the fall salmon runs on the river. Native Americans continue to dip net for salmon along the Columbia and several of its tributaries to this day.

A major attraction for botanists is the fact that the Columbia River Gorge cuts through an abundance of climates, from the arid deserts of eastern Oregon  
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DELL RHODES

*The Columbia, looking east from Catherine Creek at sunset, March 2011.*

### IT'S RENEWAL TIME!

The NPSO membership year is January to December. Now is the time for members to renew for 2015. To find out whether you need to renew, please look at your address label on this issue of the *Bulletin*. If 2014 appears along the top edge of the label, you need to renew before February 14, 2015 to ensure that you do not miss out on any of the *Bulletins* or *Kalmiopsis*. If the year is absent (i.e. top of label is blank) or if you see 2015, 2016, or a later year, ignore this notice - you do NOT need to renew at this time.

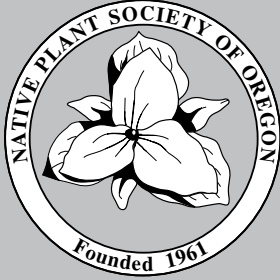
Please use the remittance envelope in this issue of the *Bulletin* to send in your dues, or use the membership form on the inside back page if the envelope is missing.

It's also a great time to consider a tax-deductible contribution to our special funds. The Leighton Ho Memorial Award is used for research projects in western Oregon. The Rare and Endangered Plant Fund supports work with our most threatened plants. The Augusta Rockafellar and Jean Davis Memorial Scholarships are awarded annually to a botany student at an Oregon college or university. You can also include a contribution to the Oregon Flora Project along with your dues.

Earth Share contributors: ignore this notice unless you wish to become a regular member of NPSO. You will continue to receive the *Bulletin* for one year from the time of your contribution.

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## NPSO President's Message

by Kelli Van Norman

Coming up soon it will be time to renew your annual NPSO membership. Thank you for being a dues-paying member and understanding that your funds contribute to NPSO's mission of enjoying, conserving, and studying Oregon's native plants and habitats. But today I'd like to encourage you to also consider volunteering with NPSO, either at your local chapter or at the state level. Chapters need officers, meeting organizers, hike organizers and leaders, and public outreach specialists. There are officer positions on the state board as well as openings on long-standing committees such as Rare & Endangered Plants, Fellows, and Native Plant Appreciation Week. There are also committees that have been unfilled for years, such as the Education Committee, which is just waiting for one or more volunteers with a passion to pick it up.

There are many who have been contributing their efforts to NPSO for several years, and I thank all of you. NPSO would not exist without you. My own volunteering experience with NPSO started in Corvallis when I attended work parties at the native plant garden in Avery Park. My regular job finally settled down when I moved to Portland so I volunteered to be state board secretary—a good position from which to learn about the organization's inner workings. After 5 years of that, I spent two years as state board president and then quite a few years as immediate past president. Last winter Dan Luoma called me to say Judi Sanders was ready to step down as president and asked if I would consider being president again—just for one year. I agreed because I enjoy the quarterly board meetings and because I know that the responsibilities are shared.

I relate this in part to ask that someone step up to run for state board president, but also to remind everyone that there are many positions available. None are lifetime commitments. If we all do our part, even if only for a year or two, it will invigorate NPSO with fresh ideas and energy.



### November Night

Listen. .  
With faint dry sound,  
Like steps of passing ghosts,  
The leaves, frost-crisp'd, break from the trees  
And fall.

-Adelaide Crapsey



### NPSO/EarthShare Oregon Liaison Volunteer 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 and to track points earned by NPSO. 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, publishing the *Kalmiopsis* journal, and mailing out the *Bulletin*. If you are interested, please contact Kelli Van Norman, [president@npsoregon.org](mailto:president@npsoregon.org).

# NPSO CALENDAR

## State Notes

### NPSO Annual Meeting 2015

#### May 29-31, Friday-Sunday

The Mid-Columbia Chapter will host the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Native Plant Society of Oregon in Hood River. Details will appear in future *Bulletins* and online.

## Blue Mountain

*For information on Blue Mountain Chapter call Jerry Baker, 541-566-2244.*

**Meetings:** The chapter will meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, continuing on into next spring. All meetings will be in the Theater Room of The Prodigal Son Brewery in Pendleton.

#### November 19, Wednesday, 7 pm

##### Meeting/Talk: Tribal Restoration Project

Olin Anderson will be presenting on a tribal restoration project on the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. Location: Theater Room at The Prodigal Son Brewery, 230 SE Court Ave., Pendleton. No-host food, drink and munchies available as needed.

## Cheahmill

*For more information, visit the chapter Web site, [www.oregon-nativeplants.com](http://www.oregon-nativeplants.com). To be added to the e-mail list for upcoming programs and events, please contact [cheahmillchapternpsocomcast.net](mailto:cheahmillchapternpsocomcast.net).*

#### November 20, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Wilderness Act at 50.** Come celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Wilderness Act with Bridget Callahan, wilderness campaign organizer for Oregon Wild. Celebrate past victories, explore the value of wilderness, and identify present and future obstacles to expand Oregon's wilderness. Callahan will highlight the botanical treasures of the Kalmiopsis Wilderness, an area that is host to Oregon's highest concentration of rare plants, but is currently threatened by logging, mining, and illegal motorized vehicles. Doors open at

6:45 pm for socializing. Meeting/Program starts at 7 pm. Location: Carnegie Room, McMinnville Public Library, 225 NW Adams St. (corner of Hwy 99W and SW 2nd St.). Parking lot entrances on Adams and 2nd. For more information contact: Lisa Blackburn, 503-538-3976 or [blackburnlisag@gmail.com](mailto:blackburnlisag@gmail.com).

There will be no chapter meeting in December.

### 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](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>

#### January 22, Thursday, 7 pm

##### Program: Ecological Studies of the Northern Oregon Cascades.

Jake Hurlbert will describe the ecology of the Cascades area, mostly from the Estacada drainage up to Mr. Hood. He will stress the relationship between the members of the Oregon biota, including mushrooms, plants, and a few insects. Hurlbert is a member of several mycological societies in the Pacific NW. Recently he developed eight regional biota studies of Oregon. Doors open at 6:45 pm for socializing. Meeting/Program starts at 7 pm. Location: Carnegie Room, McMinnville Public Library, 225 NW Adams St. (corner of Hwy 99W and SW 2nd St.). Parking lot entrances on Adams and 2nd. For more information contact: Lisa Blackburn, 503-538-3976 or [blackburnlisag@gmail.com](mailto:blackburnlisag@gmail.com).

## Corvallis

*For questions, information on upcoming events, or to be on the Corvallis chapter e-mail list, contact Jordan Brown at [co\\_president@NPSOregon.org](mailto:co_president@NPSOregon.org) or 253-820-3934.*

#### November 9, Sunday, 8 am

##### Field Trip: Mushroom Hike.

Dr. Dan Luoma, long-time chapter board member and mycologist extraordinaire, will lead a mushroom-focused outing, destination to be determined. Bring a lunch, basket or bag, hiking attire, and be prepared for rain. Location: meet in Corvallis at the OSU parking lot SW of The Beanery on 26th and Monroe for carpooling and expect to be back in the late afternoon. For more information, contact Dan at 541-752-8860.

#### November 10, Monday, 7:30 pm

##### Meeting/Talk: Botanical Gems of Alaska.

Dr. Steve Carpenter, author of *Wildflowers of Marys Peak Meadows* and *Wildflowers of Bald Hill Meadows*, will share with us the unique habitats and plants encountered on his two month long Alaskan adventure that covered over 7,500 miles. He will discuss the diversity of habitats he visited, from the



vast Taiga forests to plant communities considered as subalpine in Oregon, with a focus on the most beautiful and interesting plants of each. He will also touch on current uses of plants by Native Americans of the region as well as how to find some of these special places on your own. Location: Avery House in Avery Park. For information, contact Jordan at 253-820-3934 or brownj@science.oregonstate.edu.

### November 16, Sunday, 1 pm

**Work Party: Avery House Native Plant Garden.** Esther McEvoy, long time chapter board member and owner of the local Willamette Gardens native plant nursery, will be leading as we help get the garden ready for winter. We will focus on fall pruning, general clean up, and weeding. We'll also go through the process of taking hardwood cuttings and dividing some of the native plants for the spring garden sale and for people to take home. Snacks will be provided, but come prepared to work in the garden with gloves, some gardening tools if you've got them, and rain gear if necessary. Contact Esther at 541-754-0893 if you're interested, plan to come, or need more information.

### December 8, Monday, 7 pm

**Meeting: Annual Corvallis Winter Party!** Come one, come all and join us for some holiday cheer and appreciation for another year with our native plants and enthusiasts. Please bring some digital images of your botanical adventures and a dessert to share with the group. Location: Loren and Flo will be hosting at their home, 3420 SW Willamette Ave., Corvallis. For more information, contact Loren at loren.russell@comcast.net.

## 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.

**Meeting Location:** Conference Room at Lane County Mental Health, 2411 Martin Luther King Blvd. Turn off MLK Blvd. onto Scout Access Rd.

across from Autzen and take the first left into the parking lot. The meeting room is on the right side as you face the building.

### November 20, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Willamette Forest Roads Investment Strategy.** Virtually everything that people value in our National Forests touches, at some point, the road system. The Willamette National Forest is working on developing a strategy that will be used to guide road management decisions in the future. Matt Peterson, road investment strategy team leader, will describe how the Forest Service is developing the investment strategy and how the public can continue to be involved. Meeting location: Conference Room at Lane County Mental Health, see above for directions. For more information call Jenny at 541-225-6440.

### December 18, Thursday, 7 pm

**Event: Holiday Social and Picture Show.** Bring 10 to 12 digital photos and a snack to share if you wish. Come and socialize with others who share your interest in native plants. Meeting location: Conference Room at Lane County Mental Health, see above for directions. For more information call 541-349-9999.

## High Desert

For information, visit the High Desert Chapter website: [www.highdesertnpsoregon.org](http://www.highdesertnpsoregon.org) and Facebook page: Native Plant Society of Oregon: High Desert Chapter, or email [highdesertnps@gmail.com](mailto:highdesertnps@gmail.com).

## Klamath Basin

For information, visit the Klamath Basin Chapter website: <http://klamathbasin-nps.com> or contact the chapter president, Melissa Schroeder [pres@klamathbasinnps.com](mailto:pres@klamathbasinnps.com).

### November 6, Thursday, 6:30 pm

**Meeting: Monthly Chapter Meeting.** Location: DOW 252 on the Oregon Tech campus. See the chapter website for more information and directions.

### December 4, Thursday, 6 pm

**Meeting: Holiday Potluck.** Bring your favorite dish and an electronic copy of your favorite (up to 10) plant photos from 2014! Location: Klamath Falls Nature Conservancy office (226 Pine St.). See the chapter website for more information.

## Mid-Columbia

For information on the Mid-Columbia Chapter, contact Sara Wu at [wusara96@yahoo.com](mailto:wusara96@yahoo.com).

### November 20, Thursday, 7:30 pm

**Meeting/Program:** The Efforts of Mt. Adams Resource Stewards to Revitalize Rural Communities through Environmental Stewardship. Jay McLaughlin, executive director of Mt. Adams Resource Stewards (MARS), will present on MARS' efforts over the past ten years to grow a stewardship economy, conserve working forestlands, collaborate on forest restoration initiatives, and promote more sustainable forest management practices. These efforts have largely focused on the Mt. Adams region and include the recent acquisition of the Pine Flats Tract, adjacent to Conboy National Wildlife Reserve. Jay has an MS in Forestry from Yale and has worked both as a forester and as an educator. Location: Room 1.366, Columbia Gorge Community College, The Dalles.

## Portland

If you would like to receive the chapter's semi-official e-mail newsletter, The Calochortus, e-mail Don Jacobson at [donjphoto@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**Meeting location:** The Portland Chapter meets the second Thursday of most months in the Metro Building at 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland. Enter from NE Irving St. on the north side of the building and walk across the upper plaza to the entrance (not the door on 600 NE Grand Ave.). An attendant will

let you in and direct you to the meeting room upstairs. Meetings and programs begin at 7 pm.

### November 13, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Forest Park: Portland's Greatest Natural Resource.** Biologist Marcy Houle will discuss the natural ecology of Portland's Forest Park, one of the world's largest urban parks and our nation's only urban wilderness. Marcy has researched Forest Park for over 30 years and will highlight its history, detail the five things that make this park unique, and explain how we, as stewards, can protect its native plants and animals. Marcy will be selling her book, *One City's Wilderness: Portland's Forest Park* (3rd Ed). Meeting location: Metro building, see above for details. For information, contact Mary, [alphiesmith@comcast.net](mailto:alphiesmith@comcast.net) or 503-288-4340.

### December 11, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Member's Party — Slide Sharing.** Come with your electronic slides of native flora from Oregon and beyond for our annual year end celebration of the wildflower season. Bring holiday goodies to share. Non-members are welcome. Meeting location: Metro building, see above for details. Contact: Mary at [alphiesmith@comcast.net](mailto: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](mailto: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 2014, make a suggestion, or provide feedback regarding the field trip program please contact Sasha Joachims at: [sasharain71@gmail.com](mailto:sasharain71@gmail.com).*

### November 20, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: The Owyhee Canyonlands.** Discover the ecological, geologic, cultural, and recreational wonders of Oregon's "Grand Canyon" - the Owyhee Canyonlands. Corie Harlan, Oregon Natural Desert Association's Owyhee coordinator, will share photos, tips, and insights about one of Oregon's most remote and wild places. Corie is

a native Oregonian with a background in environmental science, business, and communications. Refreshments at 6:45, meeting and program at 7 pm. Location: Southern Oregon University, Cascade Science Bldg. (the old Cascade Dorms), Room CSC 114. For more information contact Dave at 541-535-5355.

### December 11, Thursday, 6:30 pm

**Program: The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.** Jeff Jones, professional wildlands photographer, will share his art and knowledge of the Arctic. This is our annual holiday season potluck with lots of goodies and surprises. Feasting begins at 6:30, program at 7 pm. Location: Talent Community Center, 208 E. Main, Talent. For more information contact Dave at 541-535-5355.

## South Coast

*This is a newly formed chapter. For more information, contact the chapter president, Alexis Brickner, [alexis.brickner@gmail.com](mailto:alexis.brickner@gmail.com).*

## Umpqua Valley

Visit [www.umpquavalleynativeplants.com](http://www.umpquavalleynativeplants.com) for more information on chapter activities or to be added to our e-mail list.

## Willamette Valley

For program information, contact John Savage at 503-399-8615 or Alexandra Ninneman at 503-391-4145.

## 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

## Siskiyou Field Institute

### November 14, Friday, 6:30 pm

**Talk: The Siskiyou Crest: Trails, Treks, and Biodiversity.** Luke Ruediger will give a presentation about the Siskiyou Crest as it extends from the Coast Range of northern California to the southern Cascade Mountains near the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument. Renowned for its biodiversity and the amazing connectivity corridor this unusual east-west tending mountain range provides, the region also offers miles of back-country trails and wildland habitats. This lecture is part of the Friday Evening Free Lecture Series. Location: Deer Creek Center in Selma. For more information, visit [thesfi.org](http://thesfi.org) or call 541-597-8530.

## Portland Garden Club

### November 20, Thursday, 9:30 am

**Talk: Sustainable Garden Design.** Vanessa Nagel will speak about horticulture, conservation, and garden design. This event is open to the community. Coffee is served at 9:30 and the presentation begins at 10:15 am. Location: 1132 SW Vista Ave., Portland (corner of SW Main and SW Vista near the north end of the Vista Bridge). For more information, visit [theportlandgardenclub.org](http://theportlandgardenclub.org) or call 503-222-2845. their fungus fun artwork.

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## Eugene Natural History Society

**November 21, Friday, 7:30 pm**  
**Talk: Praise the Dead: the Ecological Role of Dead Trees.** George Wuerthner will be the lecture series speaker for November. Free and open to the public. Location: Room 100, Willamette Hall, on the University of Oregon campus. For more information, visit <http://pages.uoregon.edu/enhs/calendar/default.html#upcoming> or call David Wagner at 541-344-3327.

## Mount Pisgah Arboretum

**November 29, Saturday, 1-3 pm**

**Walk: Forest Ecology.** Explore the plants and animals of the Arboretum and their place in our native ecosystems with ecologist and LCC instructor, Pat Boleyn. From oak savannah to conifer and incense cedar forests, the interrelationships are fascinating and complex. Cost: \$5, Members Free.

Location: meet at the Arboretum Visitor Center, 34901 Frank Parrish Rd., Eugene. For more information, visit [mountpisgaharboretum.com/](http://mountpisgaharboretum.com/) or call 541-747-3817.



## Autumn

I love the fitful gust that shakes  
The casement all the day,  
And from the glossy elm tree takes  
The faded leaves away,  
Twirling them by the window pane  
With thousand others down the lane.

I love to see the shaking twig  
Dance till the shut of eve,  
The sparrow on the cottage rig,  
Whose chirp would make believe  
That Spring was just now flirting by  
In Summer's lap with flowers to lie.

I love to see the cottage smoke  
Curl upwards through the trees,  
The pigeons nestled round the cote  
On November days like these;  
The cock upon the dunghill crowing,  
The mill sails on the heath a-going.

The feather from the raven's breast  
Falls on the stubble lea,  
The acorns near the old crow's nest  
Drop pattering down the tree;  
The grunting pigs, that wait for all,  
Scramble and hurry where they fall.

-John Clare

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## Take Your Best Shot: 2015 Native Plant Appreciation Week Poster Contest

Summer's over . . . but remember all those great photos you took of native plants in Oregon this spring and summer? Now that you're probably spending more time indoors, you could take this opportunity to select the best of your photos and submit them for the Native Plant Appreciation Week Poster Contest. Entries must be submitted online on the NPSO Photo Gallery (<http://npsoregon.org/photos/main.php> in the album titled "2015 NPAW Photo Contest." Each person may enter two photos of Oregon native plants (photographed in Oregon with photographer name, species or other description, family, common name, location, and date). All entries must be received by December 15, 2014. Photos will be rated on subject matter, composition, and technical excellence. Complete details can be found at: <http://npsoregon.org/photocontest.html>. If you have any questions, please email Judi Sanders, [judi.sanders@gmail.com](mailto:judi.sanders@gmail.com).

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## 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: [www.npsoregon.org/grants.html](http://www.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



*Brown's peony (Paeonia brownii), Rattlesnake Falls, Klickitat County Wash., May 2013.*

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to the moisture-laden west side of the Cascades with many variations in between. Among the natural features of the diverse landscapes are basalt cliffs, waterfalls, snowcapped mountains (Mt. Hood on the south side of the river at 11,250 ft. and Mt. Adams on the north at 12,280 ft.), as well as bogs, meadows, windswept slopes and arid sagebrush, rabbit brush and bitterbrush flats. The profusion of habitats creates a relatively small area in which there are over 800 species of flowering plants, including 15 found nowhere else in the world. Of the fifteen endemics, there is a good chance that *Penstemon barrettiae* (Barrett's Penstemon), *Lomatium columbianum* (Columbia Desert Parsley), *Lupinus latifolius* (Columbia Gorge Broadleaf Lupine), *Astragalus hoodianus* (Hood River Milk-Vetch) and possibly more, will be in bloom during the annual meeting. As Russ Jolley, author of the comprehensive field guide *Wildflowers of the Columbia Gorge* points out, "The Gorge, with its wide range of elevations and microclimates is home to more species of flowering plants than any other region in the Pacific Northwest."

Meeting activities will be centrally located at the Hood River Inn. Hood River is a popular vacation area for



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*Barrett's penstemon (Penstemon barrettiae), an eastern Gorge endemic, should be in bloom during the 2015 Annual Meeting.*



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*The Columbia River Gorge east of Hood River, as seen from The Dalles Mountain Road in April, 2014.*

Portland residents and a must-visit area for wind surfers, kite boarders, bicyclists, and hikers from all over the world. The Inn sits on the shore of the Columbia River adjacent to the Port of Hood River bridge that connects Hood River and Bingen / White Salmon Wash., providing easy access to areas on the north (Washington State) side of the river. Oregon Highway 35, which intersects I-84 at the exit for the Hood River Inn, provides access to Mount Hood and areas south of the river. Rooms at the Inn will be held until May 1 for meeting participants, and other sites and types of lodging are available in the area.

Among the plans for this year's annual meeting are outings on both Friday and Sunday in addition to a full roster of hikes planned for Saturday. The Friday and Sunday trips include probable visits to local native plant nurseries and restoration sites. There will be a presentation on Friday night following an appetizer buffet in The Columbia Room of the Hood River Inn. Jeanette Burkhardt, watershed planner for the Yakama Nation Fisheries, will discuss the native plant restoration effort occasioned by the 2011 removal of the Condit Dam on the

White Salmon River.

The featured speaker at the Saturday night banquet will be Keith Karoly, professor of biology at Reed College in Portland, who will talk about the ecology and evolution of wildflower colors. He describes his lecture: "After reviewing the biology of floral pigments, I will present a number of case studies highlighting the diverse roles known for floral pigments, and end with an account of research in my lab which focuses on the evolutionary divergence of the pale rock larkspur (*Delphinium leucophaeum*, a rare PNW endemic) from its more widespread congener, Nuttall's larkspur (*Delphinium nuttallii*)."

Look for more detailed information on field trips, lodging, and meals as well as a registration form in the February issue of the NPSO *Bulletin* and on the annual meeting web pages that will be accessible via the NPSO website. The Mid-Columbia Chapter looks forward to your participation in the 2015 Annual Meeting.





## Please Nominate Outstanding NPSO Members for Our Fellows Award

The NPSO Fellows Committee is ready to accept nominations for new NPSO Fellows for 2015. The Fellows award recognizes individuals for outstanding service to our society. Nominations can come from a chapter, an individual, or a group. A chapter may wish to nominate their founder or other active member. You may wish to nominate an outstanding teacher of botany or a present or former officer or board member.

### *Fall, Leaves, Fall*

Fall, leaves, fall; die, flowers, away;  
Lengthen night and shorten day;  
Every leaf speaks bliss to me  
Fluttering from the autumn tree.  
I shall smile when wreaths of snow  
Blossom where the rose should grow;  
I shall sing when night's decay  
Ushers in a drearier day.

-Emily Brontë

Fellows receive a lifetime NPSO membership, as well as a ceremony and plaque at the Annual Meeting.

Your nominating letter can be sent by email. It should contain biographical and background information about the nominee. Please also provide a photo of the prospective Fellow or Fellows. Your nomination will move from this committee to the state board for approval. When approved, we will make a plaque and plan a ceremony for our next annual meeting - this coming year to be held in Hood River in late May.

Please send letters of nomination by the end of 2014 to Jan Dobak at [npsop-dx@gmail.com](mailto:npsop-dx@gmail.com).

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## New Titles for Your Bookshelf

The native wildflowers have shriveled and gone to seed, the weather has lost its warmth, and you find yourself spending more time indoors, ensconced in a comfortable chair. November is here. The perfect month to check out some new books. Here are a few titles that have been released in the past year.

*Ancient Pathways, Ancestral Knowledge: Ethnobotany and Ecological Wisdom of Indigenous Peoples of Northwestern North America.*

This is a two-volume work by Nancy J. Turner, a professor in the School of Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria. Volume I presents the historical uses of plants by Indigenous peoples, noting the importance of certain species among various cultures. Volume II focuses on the relationships between local habitats and the development of Indigenous cultural practices, often based on management

of plant resources. For additional information, visit the publisher's website: <http://www.mqup.ca/ancient-pathways--ancestral-knowledge-products-9780773543805.php>.

*Tidal Wetlands Primer: An Introduction to Their Ecology, Natural History, Status, and Conservation.*

Geared towards students and professionals in the environmental fields, this book provides an overview of the different types of wetlands in North America. The emphasis is on vegetated wetlands: marshes and swamps. It also discusses the history, current status, and likely future of these unique habitats. Author Ralph W. Tiner is an adjunct professor in the Department of Environmental Conservation at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. For additional information, visit the publisher's website: <https://www.umass.edu/umpress/title/tidal-wetlands-primer>.

*Trees and Shrubs of the Pacific Northwest.*

A comprehensive field guide that covers 568 species of woody plants that can be found in Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, and northern California. Each entry includes family, scientific and common names, flowering seasons, and size of each plant, as well as a range map and color photographs of the plant's habitat and distinguishing characteristics. Co-author Mark Turner is a professional photographer and has been giving book presentations at NPSO chapters. Co-author Ellen Kuhlmann is a professional botanist. For more information and to see a sample page of the book, visit <http://turnerphotographics.com/books/trees>.





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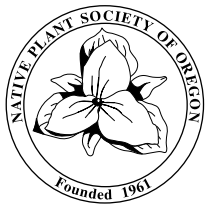
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- 1—your donation will be matched by NPSO (up to \$10,000) through the end of the year
- 2—the manuscript is going to press in November
- 3—up-front publication costs that OFP must provide will exceed \$40,000

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