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## 2016 NPSO Annual Meeting July 15–17 The McKenzie River Conference Center

The 2016 NPSO Annual Meeting will be hosted by the Emerald Chapter July 15–17 along the beautiful McKenzie River, 47 miles east of Eugene-Springfield. The venue is the McKenzie River Conference Center, owned and operated by the United States Basketball Academy (USBA).

### Location

The Conference Center is located along the McKenzie Highway (Hwy 126) at Rainbow (mile post 47) between Blue River and McKenzie Bridge. To access the property, turn north from Hwy 126 at the covered gate flanked by United States Basketball Academy signs.

### History of the Facility

The USBA began its primary

operations at the current facility in 1997. The original working name was the National Basketball Academy until Bruce O'Neil, owner, and the late Wilt Chamberlin had a discussion sitting on a tree stump on the current property. They decided to replace National with United States and the USBA was born. The organization was primarily formed to build a basketball camp on 46 acres of prime recreation property along the McKenzie River (USBA website: [usbausa.com](http://usbausa.com)).

### Registration

A printable Registration Form with meal, lodging and cost options will be posted on the Annual Meeting website, [emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg](http://emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg), as soon as available. A hard copy Registration Form will be inserted in the



TANYA HARVEY

March NPSO *Bulletin*. Deadline for priority registration at reduced cost is April 30. Registration on a first-come, first-served basis at regular cost will continue until June 15. Registrations received after June 15 will be placed on a wait list. Visit the Annual Meeting website on a regular basis to keep current with registration information.

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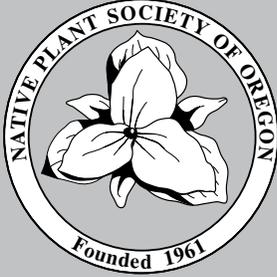


CHARLENE SIMPSON

*Gated entrance to USBA property*

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Opinions expressed in this publication are those of the authors of the articles. They do not represent the opinions of the Native Plant Society of Oregon, unless so stated.

## October 2015 NPSO State Board Meeting Highlights

Linda Hardison, director of the Oregon Flora Project, announced that their Oregon Wildflowers app was updated this past summer. Updated taxonomy is also online: 20,000 new observations, 25,000 specimen added to the Checklist, 92% flora are represented with images.

Jason Clinch organized and shared a list of NPSO webpages and Facebook pages to assess our web presence and its potential as a recruitment tool. It was noted that it is good to have many outlets, as we do, with the suggestion of creating better links between all these outlets to help grow our web presence. The Board discussed having a shareable calendar program on the NPSO website. Various calendar options were noted and the Board created a committee to explore the options and present the best ones to the Board.

Kevin Weitemier gave an update on funding for the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) plant conservation program. The program does not currently have funding to update the State Threatened and Endangered plant species list (last updated in 1995) or enforce the Oregon Endangered Species Act. They receive federal money to work on specific species and also received \$100,000 for this coming biennium, due to Esther McEvoy's efforts lobbying a key state legislator. The Board recommended that ODA give higher priority to updating the species list.

Cyndi Dion reported that the online payments system is now set up and the final testing should be completed soon. The Board approved authorization for Cyndi Dion and Sunia Yang to go live with the online payments.

The Filipendula Chapter has completed all steps for a new chapter on the northern Oregon coast. Their by-laws are the same as the Corvallis chapter. A Motion was made and passed to approve the by-laws and officially create the new Filipendula chapter.

## 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](mailto:daniel.luoma@oregonstate.edu)) for more information.

## Grants for *Penstemon* Projects

The American Penstemon Society is seeking to fund small projects that focus on scientific or horticultural aspects of *Penstemon*, especially those that promote conservation or public appreciation. Grants of up to \$1000 are available. The deadline for application is March 31, 2016, with funds distributed in May. For more information, visit [apsdev.org](http://apsdev.org) or contact Dorothy Tuthill, [dtuthill@uwyo.edu](mailto:dtuthill@uwyo.edu).

## IT'S STILL RENEWAL TIME

The NPSO membership year is January to December.

If you haven't already renewed for 2016, check your address label on this *Bulletin*. If you see 2015 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*.

# NPSO CALENDAR

## State Notes

### NPSO State Board Meeting.

**April 23, Saturday, 10 am-2 pm**

Umpqua Valley Chapter will host our spring meeting. Location: Douglas County Natural History Museum, Roseburg.

### NPSO Annual Meeting 2016

**July 15-17, Friday-Sunday**

Emerald Chapter will host the 2016 NPSO Annual Meeting on a private forested 46 acre property near the majestic McKenzie River, a fifty-minute drive from Eugene. Location: McKenzie River Conference Center, Rainbow, Oregon. For the most current information, visit the annual meeting website, [emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg](http://emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg).

## Blue Mountain

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

**February 10, Wednesday, 7 pm**

**Meeting: Details TBA.** Location: theater room of the Prodigal Son Brewery and Pub, 230 SE Court Avenue in Pendleton. Contact Bruce Barnes, 541-377-2634 for details.

**March 9, Wednesday, 7 pm**

**Meeting: Details TBA.** Location: theater room of the Prodigal Son Brewery and Pub, 230 SE Court Avenue in Pendleton. Contact Bruce Barnes, 541-377-2634 for details.

Stay tuned for field trips beginning in April.

## 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@NPSOregon.org](mailto:ch_president@NPSOregon.org).*

**February 25, Thursday, 7 pm**

**Program: Extreme Rarity and Conservation Efforts to Preserve Hawaii's**

**Native Plants.** The Hawaiian Islands are perhaps the most remote and isolated oceanic islands on earth, and are often referred to as the extinction capitol of the world. Dr. Ed Guerrant, director of the Rae Selling Berry Seed Bank and Plant Conservation Program at Portland State University, will briefly describe the flora and some of the many ways people and organizations are recovering and preserving Hawaii's

### 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>

native plants. Doors open at 6:45 pm for socializing. Meeting/Program starts at 7:00 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 Streets. For more information contact: Lisa Blackburn, 503-538-3976 or [blackburnlisag@gmail.com](mailto:blackburnlisag@gmail.com).

**March 24, Thursday, 7 pm**

**Program: Green Streets, Planting Design and Concepts for Urban Stormwater Management.** Mark Akimoff, environmental program technician with the City of Keizer, will discuss removing pollutants with vegetated stormwater facilities, such as rain gardens, with a look at some of the native plants used in the facilities. Doors open at 6:45 pm for socializing. Meeting/Program starts at 7:00 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 Streets. 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.*

**February 8, Monday, 7:30 pm**

**Meeting/Presentation: Caterpillars up Close.** Dr. Jeffrey Miller, an entomologist and emeritus professor at Oregon State University, will share some insight into the larval life stage of butterflies and moths. He will touch on how caterpillars function, some of their interesting adaptations for avoiding predation, their basic natural history with a focus on food-plant relationships, and the role of caterpillars in the environment within the context of global biodiversity and conservation. **Please note** this meeting is not in the usual location: Cordley Hall, room 2087, on

the Oregon State University campus. For more information contact Jordan Brown at 253-820-3934 or brownj@science.oregonstate.edu.

**February 13, Saturday, 8 am-4 pm**

**NPSO Table: Insights into Gardening.** The Corvallis NPSO Chapter will have an exhibit table at Insights into Gardening, a day-long seminar offering practical, hands-on learning. The event is hosted by the Benton County Master Gardener Association and is a great place to learn more about all things related to gardening. Cost: \$33-40. Location: LaSells Stewart Center on the Oregon State University campus. For information, visit [extension.oregonstate.edu/benton/insights](http://extension.oregonstate.edu/benton/insights).

**March 6, Sunday, 1-5 pm**

**Work Party: Avery Park.** Spring is coming, time to clean up the native plant garden. Come prepared for the weather and bring clippers, gloves, trowel and small shovel. Location: Avery Park, Corvallis. For information, contact Esther McEvoy at 541-754-0893.

**March 14, Monday, 7:30 pm**

**Meeting and Presentation: Wildflowers of Northern Arizona.** Join Dan Luoma and Joyce Eberhart as they recreate exploring the spectacular wildflowers and landscapes of northern Arizona. From 5,000 ft. near Boynton Canyon and Secret Mt. to the highest reaches of the San Francisco Peaks there was tremendous variety in bloom. Views from Walnut Canyon National Monument and the Grand Canyon are also included. Location: Avery House in Avery Park. For more information contact Jordan Brown at 253-820-3934 or brownj@science.oregonstate.edu.

## 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.

**February 18, Thursday, 7 pm**

**Program: Getting To Know the Biscuitroots — *Lomatium* Botany, Ecology, and Human Relationships.** "Biscuitroot", "cous", "Luksh", "wild celery", "desert parsley." These are just a few of the names used for the diverse species of the *Lomatium* genus, which covers a vast area of western North America. Heron Brae will dive into the identification, ecology, range, and historical and contemporary uses of *Lomatium* in our region, informed from Heron's own first-hand experience as a botanist and wild food forager. Pictures, stories, and tasty samples make this an experience for everyone to enjoy, beginner and seasoned botanist alike. Location: Conference Room at Lane County Mental Health, see above for directions. For more information call 541-521-3964.

**March 17, Thursday, 7 pm**

**Program: Costa Rica — Magical Forests, Flowers, Birds, and Frogs.** Costa Rica offers natural history enthusiasts a huge variety of unique places to explore. Gail Baker and Clay Gautier will share photos and stories of their adventures in five different Costa Rican natural reserves. These include the cloud forests of Monteverde, tropical wet forests at La Selva, open paramo of Los Quetzales National Park in the Talamanca Mountains, coastal jungle of Corcovado National Park on the OSA Peninsula, and premontane wet forest at Las Cruces on the Panamanian border. Location: Conference Room at Lane County Mental Health. See above for directions. For more information call 541-521-3964.

## 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](mailto:colectarla@yahoo.com).

## 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 on the Klamath Basin Chapter, visit <http://klamathbasinnps.com> or contact the chapter president, Kim Elliott, [kb\\_president@NPSOregon.org](mailto:kb_president@NPSOregon.org). 252.

**February 4, Thursday, 6:30 pm**

**Meeting: An Update on Soil Survey Activities in Klamath County.** Chris Gebauer will give an overview of on-going soil survey work in Klamath County, some unique soils found in the area, and correlations between soils, ecological sites, and plant associations. We'll discuss some soil temperature and soil moisture studies that are part of the soil mapping project, and look at some examples of andisols, spodosols, vernal pool soils, organic soils, and their associated vegetative communities. Location: DOW 251 (Dow Center for Health Professions) on the OIT campus.

## Mid-Columbia

For information on the Mid-Columbia Chapter, contact Sara Wu at [mc\\_president@NPSOregon.org](mailto:mc_president@NPSOregon.org).

**February 18, Thursday, 7 pm**

**Meeting: Potluck and Pics... Take Two!** We got snowed out in December, but Members Night is back. In addition to the potluck — with a suggestion to bring cookies or a dessert — we will be sharing pictures with one another. This program will be part of the monthly chapter meeting. Location: Columbia Gorge Community College, Building 1, Room 1.362, 400 E Scenic Drive, The Dalles, Oregon. For more information, contact Billy Don, 503-515-1708 or [bdmeme@gmail.com](mailto:bdmeme@gmail.com).

## Portland

If you would like to receive the chapter's semi-official e-mail newsletter, The Calo-

chortus, e-mail Don Jacobson at donj-photo@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 pm. Beginning in January 2016 the Portland Chapter will have a **NEW MEETING PLACE:** TaborSpace at Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, 5441 SE Belmont St., Portland. We will meet in Muir Hall; enter the church through the main door off of Belmont between SE 54th and 55th, turn left and the room will be on your right. Parking is available in the church lot on the NW corner of SE 54th and Belmont.

### February 11, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Montane Islands in a Desert Sea.** Jan and Dave Dobak will give us a look at the flora of northern Nevada's Ruby Mountains and Wheeler Peak, as well as California's Lassen Volcanic National Park. Meeting location, see above for details: TaborSpace, Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, SE 54th and Belmont. Contact: Mary at alphiesmith@comcast.net or 503-288-4340.

### March 10, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Native Conifers of Northwest Oregon.** Join Ken Denniston as he uses photos and samples to show how to identify the native conifers of Northwest Oregon. Ken's presentation will focus on a unique, staged approach to learning the conifers. It will include some simple ways to easily distinguish each conifer and some tricks to help everyone remember the differences. A field study of the conifers will take place at Hoyt Arboretum the Saturday following the program, details TBA. Meeting location, see above for details: TaborSpace, Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, SE 54th and Belmont. 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 2016, 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.*

### February 18, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Alpine Flora of the Purcell Range.** Alex Maksymowicz will give a presentation on the alpine flora of the Purcell Range of the Rocky Mountains in British Columbia. Interestingly, many of the plants in this region of mostly sedimentary rocks also grow on the volcanic rocks of the Cascades as well as Steens Mountain in eastern Oregon. Alex Maksymowicz, an active member of the Siskiyou Chapter, has been photographing wildflowers in the western U.S. for 40 years, led wildflower field trips for several organizations, and currently teaches classes on Southern Oregon Flora at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Southern Oregon University. 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.

## South Coast

*This is a newly formed chapter. For more information, contact the chapter president, Alexis Brickner, sc\_president@NPSOregon.org.*

### March 26, Saturday, 10 am-3 pm

**Field Trip: Elliott State Forest.** NPSO and Coast Range Forest Watch will lead a hike to identify native plant species, explore a healthy forest ecosystem, and take in the views along Palouse Creek. We will carpool to the trailhead and hike approximately 2 miles on easy terrain with one creek crossing. Please bring sturdy shoes, lunch, water, rain gear, and plant ID books, if you

have them. Location: meet at 10 am at North Bend's Bay Bridge Motel on Highway 101. For more information, contact Alexis at sc\_president@npsoregon.org or Max at coastrangeforest-watch@gmail.com.

## 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 or Alexandra Ninneman at 503-391-4145.*

### February 27, Saturday, 9 am-noon

**Class: Looking Deeply at Plants by Drawing Them.** Noted botanical illustrator and long-time NPSO member Aislinn Adams will lead an introductory class on drawing native plants with pencil. The class will feature demonstrations and useful exercises for persons of all skill levels. Bring a sketchbook, 2H and HB pencils, eraser, and a sharpener. Free and open to the public. Location: Straub Environmental Learning Center, 1320 A St. NE, next to Olinger Pool near North Salem High. Contact aislinn@aislinnadams.com for more information and to register or call John Savage at 503-399-8615 after 7 pm.

### March 9, Wednesday, 7-8:30 pm

**Program: Oregon Flora Project.** Linda Hardison, director of the Oregon Flora Project, and Lynda Boyer, advisory board member and native plant manager at Heritage Seedlings, will provide a comprehensive overview of the Oregon Flora Project. The program will highlight use of the Project's website and the new Oregon Flora app. It will also include a description of the recently published Flora of Oregon, Volume 1 — the first comprehensive and illustrated Oregon plant guide in over 50 years. The program is free and open to the public. Location: Straub Environmental Learning Center, 1320 A St. NE,

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Chapter Events, *cont'd*

next to Olinger Pool near North Salem High. For information, call John Savage at 503-399-8615 after 7 pm.

## 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

### Marion SWCD

March 11, Friday, 10 am-6 pm

March 12, Saturday, 9 am-1 pm

**Sale: Native Plants.** Over 90 different species are usually available at this plant sale. Overstock will be sold Saturday, March 12. Location: Bauman's Farm and Garden, 12989 Howell Prairie Road, Gervais. Visit [marionswcd.net](http://marionswcd.net) to browse the plant selections, descriptions and price list in advance.

### Society for Ecological Restoration Northwest (SERNW)

April 4-8, Monday-Friday

**Conference: Monitoring Ecological Restoration — Measuring Change and Seeing Results.** This conference will focus on the Cascadia Bioregion. Participants with a broad range of interest in the practice and science of ecological restoration will share and discuss their knowledge and experience in workshops, field trips, poster session, symposia, and technical sessions. Keynote and plenary speakers will address the theme of monitoring ecological restoration and other regionally important topics. Location: Red Lion Inn (Jantzen Beach) in Portland, Oregon. For information and registration, visit [restoration2016.org/program](http://restoration2016.org/program).

## Your Employer Can Support NPSO

The effects of climate change are growing, putting stress on the land, water, food, energy and other resources people and wildlife need to thrive. But Oregonians can do more to protect our way of life. NPSO has partnered with EarthShare Oregon to make that happen.

EarthShare engages people at their workplaces to strengthen environmental efforts locally, across Oregon, and around the world.

NPSO's membership in EarthShare also enables us to reach employees across Oregon who might not know about our work. The more workplaces offering EarthShare, the more financial support, volunteers and outreach we receive!

Does your workplace offer EarthShare? Find out. ([earthshare-oregon.org/campaigns/workplace-partners](http://earthshare-oregon.org/campaigns/workplace-partners))

If not, talk to your boss or human resources personnel about offering EarthShare. Jan Wilson, EarthShare Oregon's executive director, will meet with your employer to discuss the benefits of a partnership, and get started right away.

To learn more about bringing EarthShare to your workplace, contact Jan directly at 503-223-9015 or [jan@earthshare-oregon.org](mailto:jan@earthshare-oregon.org).

## 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 24–30, 2016.

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 let the NPAW Committee know about them as well. Email any information to Judi Sanders at [judi.sanders@gmail.com](mailto:judi.sanders@gmail.com).



Erythronium grandiflorum

Tired of waiting for spring blooms? Color your own! The wildflower drawings in this issue were done by NPSO Fellow Karl Urban, one of the founding members of the Blue Mountain Chapter. Read more about him at [npsoregon.org/fellows.html](http://npsoregon.org/fellows.html).

Annual Meeting, *cont'd*

### Jim Schmit Great Hall

Annual Meeting registration, programs, meals and vendor sales will take place in the Jim Schmit Great Hall, a 9,000 square foot meeting, dining and resource center with a state-of-the-art kitchen. A large, unpaved car park area fronts the Great Hall. Management requests that vehicles be returned to this lot after unloading at dorms and lodges. The owners have a no dogs, other than service dogs, policy.



CHARLENE SIMPSON

*Jim Schmit Great Hall*

### Lodging, Meals, and Recreational Opportunities at the Conference Facility

**Lodging.** Visit the Annual Meeting website, [emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg](http://emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg), for photos.

Two Executive Lodges. Single-story. Each lodge has six private motel-style bedrooms with full bath, two beds, and TV. Bedding and linens are provided. Each lodge has a large meeting room with kitchenette and half

bath. The State Board meeting will be held Sunday morning in the meeting room of one of these lodges.

Five Coach Lodges. Lodges are two-story with stairs to the upper level. Each lodge has three bedrooms: one on the ground floor with a double bed and two on the second floor each with two beds (a double and a single). Bedding and linens provided. There are two full baths, a living room and full kitchen in each lodge.

Three Dorms. Each dorm building has 34 bunk-style beds. Bring your own bedding and towels. Bathrooms have four sinks, four toilets and four showers. There will be a male, a female, and a coed dorm. Buildings will be assigned as designated on the registration form.

**Meals.** Buffet style meals will be served in the Jim Schmit Great Hall. Visit the Annual Meeting website, [emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg](http://emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg), for food choice details.

- July 15 Taco Bar Supper
- July 16 Breakfast  
Sack Lunch  
Barbeque Dinner
- July 17 Breakfast

Kitchens in Executive and Coach Lodges afford an optional opportunity to prepare your own meals; for example, preparing special dietary items or sack lunch for Saturday field trips. Alcohol is allowed on the premises on a bring-your-own basis. No alcohol will be served by the establishment.

**Recreational Opportunities.** A swimming pool, sand volleyball court, horseshoe pit, and a fly fishing pond are available for guests of the facility.

### Alternative Accommodations: Area Motels, Cabins, RV Parks and Campgrounds

**Note:** *If you are planning to stay at locations other than the meeting venue the Emerald Chapter encourages you to make reservations early. During summer months the McKenzie River area is a popular destination and accommodations fill up quickly. Because of the Olympic Track Trials in Eugene next July you may be competing with others for available*

*space.*

Visit the Annual Meeting website, [emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg](http://emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg), for a listing of nearby motels, cabins, RV parks, campgrounds, restaurants and grocery stores. The Emerald Chapter does not endorse or recommend private enterprises.

### On-Your-Own Recreational Opportunities

The following list is assembled to assist NPSO Annual Meeting attendees seeking recreational opportunities in the area. The list is not exhaustive. Other vendors with services that better meet your needs may also be available. Sign up, payment, and liability are contractual between the client and the business.

**Golf.** Tokatee Golf Club, 54947 McKenzie Highway. 800-452-6376, 541-822-3220, [tokatee.com](http://tokatee.com).

**White-Water Rafting.** All-Star Outfitters, 541-914-2886, [allstaroutfitters.net](http://allstaroutfitters.net). High Country Expeditions 541-822-8288, [highcountryexpeditions.com](http://highcountryexpeditions.com). Oregon Whitewater Adventures 800-820-RAFT, 541-746-5422, [oregonwhitewater.com](http://oregonwhitewater.com).

**Fishing Outfitters and Guides.** Deep Canyon Outfitters, 541-323-3007, [deepcanyonoutfitters.com](http://deepcanyonoutfitters.com). For others: google "McKenzie River Fishing Guides."



CELEBRATING WILDFLOWERS  
Gaillardia aristata  
Blanket Flower

Gaillardia aristata

KARL URBAN



CELEBRATING WILDFLOWERS  
Calochortus nitidus  
Big-Podded Manpossa Lily

Calochortus nitidus

KARL URBAN

# New NPSO Members

Please welcome these new members who joined NPSO between May 11, 2015 and January 10, 2016

## Corvallis

Ryan King  
 Patric Krabacher  
 Jeremiah Northcutt  
 William Proebsting  
 Teri Sokoloff  
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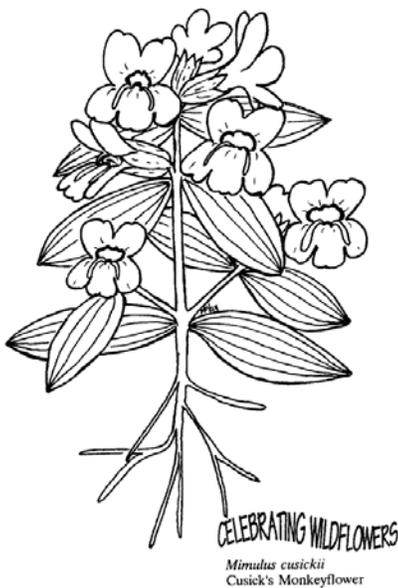
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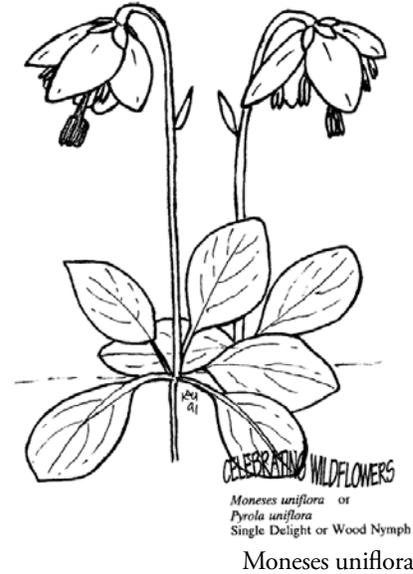
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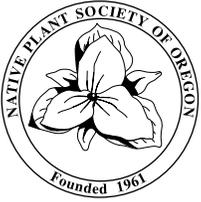
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