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Candidates for NPSO State Board Positions

The NPSO Nominating Committee offers the following list of candidates for the state offices. Newly elected individuals will assume office during the Annual Meeting. Please consider serving our Society. Interested persons and people with suggestions for potential candidates may contact Dan Luoma by email (daniel.luoma@oregonstate.edu) for more information.

President:

Lisa Blackburn (Cheahmill) was born and raised in southern California. She graduated with a BS in Renewable Natural Resources and an MS in Range Management from the University of California at Davis. Lisa moved to Oregon in 1977. She worked for the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management for 31 years, retiring in 2007 from the BLM Oregon State Office in Portland. Her interest in plants and geology started during childhood through family camping vacations all over the western United States. Lisa has served as president of the Cheahmill Chapter and most recently served our Society at the state level as secretary and vice president.

Vice President:

Dan Luoma (Corvallis) has been a member of NPSO since about 1980. He has previously served as state president, vice president, and director-at-large. His academic training is in ecological plant geography. Dan is a professor, specializing in forest mycology, with the Department of Forest Ecosystems and Society at Oregon State University. Dan has taught mycology at OSU and a course on forest mycology through the Siskiyou Field Institute and Southern Oregon University. Primarily, he pursues research on the diversity of truffles and mushrooms in the forests of the Pacific Northwest. One of Dan's goals for the coming year will be to find a candidate for NPSO vice president who would like to use the position to gain experience to run for president.

Secretary:

Steven Yeager (Emerald) Originally from Philadelphia, Steven moved to the Pacific Northwest in 1994, and has been rooted in Eugene ever since. He has been exploring Oregon's wild places and studying the Pacific Northwest's native flora since 1995. Steven is co-owner

of the Columbines School of Botanical Studies in Eugene. Columbines offers a unique educational program focusing on community herbalism, including a heavy emphasis on botany that covers plant terminology and using taxonomic keys, ecology, and ethnobotany. He also is the QA/QC director at Mountain Rose Herbs and is responsible for the proper identity of their botanical products. Steven also currently serves as NPSO Emerald Chapter president and is on the boards of the United Plant Savers and the American Herbal Products Association Foundation for Education and Research on Botanicals.

Treasurer:

Cyndi Dion (Siskiyou) has served as the NPSO state treasurer for the last
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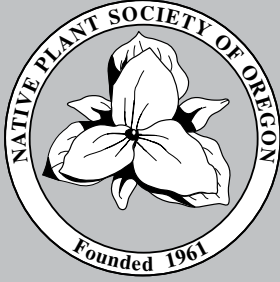
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NPSO Annual Meeting 2017

June 9–11, Roseburg

Register Now!

Details in the March *Bulletin* and
online at annualmeeting.npsoregon.org



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Annual Meeting Update

Bilger Ridge has been added as an option for the Friday and Sunday half-day field trips. If you have already registered and would like to make a change for that field trip, please contact Louise Marquering at Patch1L@aol.com. Check the Annual Meeting webpages for all the latest information, annualmeeting.npsoregon.org.

NPSO Needs a New Membership Chair

NPSO needs a new Membership Chair! If you are looking for a way to make a significant contribution to the Society, have a few hours a week of spare time, and enjoy working with computers, then please let the out-going Chair, Matt Morales (membership@npsoregon.org) know you are interested. A general description of the duties and responsibilities can be found in the NPSO Board Handbook (<http://npsoregon.org/documents/NPSOBoardHandbook.pdf>). Matt will be happy to provide additional details, answer any questions you might have, and train you.

Glide Wildflower Show April 29-30

Mark your calendars for the opportunity to view over 600 species of wildflowers, shrubs, trees, mosses, lichens and ferns, all under one roof. Collectors canvass southwest Oregon, from the Willamette Valley to the California border, the Cascade Mountains to the coast, to bring specimens for the largest wildflower show in the Pacific Northwest.

While flowers are the main draw, knowledgeable speakers are another great reason to attend. This year's topics will include "Sex, Lies, and Entomophily: Orchid Pollination Revealed," "Plants that Eat Truffles for Lunch," and "An Introduction to Our Native Bees, the Forgotten Pollinators." Ever popular presentations on native plant propagation and medicinal and edible plants will also be offered. Guided tours of the show, roaming botanists, and guided wildflower walks through nearby forest round out the opportunities to learn from experts. And be sure to visit the NPSO Umpqua Valley Chapter's booth.

For directions, schedule, presenters' bios, FAQs and more, go to glide-wildflowershow.org.



Erythronium oregonum on display at the Glide Wildflower Show



A Glide Wildflower Show display is captured by a photographer

NPSO CALENDAR

State Notes

NPSO State Board Meeting

April 1, Saturday, 10 am-2 pm

The next State Board meeting will be hosted by the Emerald Chapter in Eugene.

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. A State Board meeting will be held on Sunday. Field trip descriptions, student stipend information, and registration form are in the March *Bulletin*. For additional information and updates, visit annualmeeting.npsoregon.org.

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.

April 27, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: 24 Years of Change in the Tree Community of Forest Park. Dr. Nancy Broshot, biology professor at Linfield College, will speak about her past and present research on Forest Park in Portland. She began studying the park in 1993 and found increased tree mortality and few young trees. Using lichens as an indicators species, she found evidence that the cause of the changing tree community may be air

pollution. Location: Carnegie Room, McMinnville Public Library, see above for details.

April 29, Saturday, 10 am-noon

Work Party: Native Plant Garden at McMinnville Public Library. Join the NPSO Garden Crew working around the Carnegie building. The demonstration garden, which should be blooming

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>

beautifully in April, needs only a couple hours work by a crew each month. Dress for the weather and bring gloves, 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.

April 29, Saturday, 10 am

Field Trip: Deer Creek Nature Park between McMinnville and Sheridan.

To celebrate Native Plant Appreciation Week, Cheahmill Chapter founding member Dave Hanson will lead a tour of Deer Creek Nature Park. This county park contains the largest wet prairie ecosystem in the lower Willamette Valley. Rubber boots are recommended. Bring lunch. Location: From McMinnville, drive south on Hwy 18, at Gopher Valley Road, turn right (north). The park is on the left side of the road 5.5 miles from the intersection with Hwy 18. For more information contact Dave Hanson, dhanson@newsguy.com.

Corvallis

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

April 10, Monday, 7:30 pm

Program: Restoration Project at Chip Ross Park. Jon Pywell, Corvallis urban forester, will talk about the restoration project that has taken place at Chip Ross Park. Topics include decisions made, treatments used, and what plants were removed or replaced. Restoration projects will be happening in the next few years at Witham Hill, Bald Hill, and Herbert and Kendall Natural Areas, so this is an opportunity to understand what the city is doing. Location: Room 2087 Cordley Hall, 2701 SW Campus Way, OSU. For information contact Judi Sanders, judi.sanders@gmail.com, or Louise Marquering, patch1L@aol.com or 541-753-0012.

April 26, Wednesday, 5:30-8 pm

Field Trip: Sunset Picnic and Wildflowers with Greenbelt Land Trust.

Celebrate Native Plant Appreciation Week and come explore a private natural area managed by the Greenbelt Land Trust on Riverside Dr. in Albany. This site has an abundance of spring wildflowers, ponds, and wildlife that is not publicly accessible. We'll walk through prairies and oak woodlands on mostly flat ground, but wear boots since there are wet areas. We'll have a picnic dinner on the grass and we suggest you pick up a burrito at La Rockita in downtown Corvallis (Western and 4th St.) prior to meeting at the Greenbelt office four blocks away on SW Western Blvd and SW 1st St. If it's raining, we'll eat our picnic inside. For more information call Matt at 541-752-9609.

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.

April 20, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Oregon Flora Project Website Updates. Thea Jaster tells us how "the Oregon Flora Project is transforming its interface with the world!" Join us for a sneak preview of the new Oregon-Flora (yes, one word) website. We will guide you through the sleek new design with enhanced mapping and plant identification tools. Tour the newly-minted gardening portal, an interface to select native Oregon species for your landscaping projects. Location: upstairs in the Stellaria Building, 150 Shelton-McMurphey Blvd. in Eugene, see above for details.

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://klamathbasinmps.com> or contact the chapter president, Kim Eliott, kb_president@NPSOregon.org.

Mid-Columbia

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

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.

Native Plant Appreciation Week is April 23-29. The Portland Chapter has a great line up of workshops, presentations, and hikes. Learn more about NPAW PDX by visiting npawpdx.org.

April 13, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: The Alpine of North America, the Last Region Still

without Major Human Influence.

The North American alpine biome is found at higher elevations above the timberline in the southern Sierra and Rocky Mountains and becomes lower in elevation farther north in the Sierra, Cascade, and Rocky Mountains. It is also situated in the most northern peaks of the Appalachian Mountains of New England and Chic-Choc Range of the Gaspe' Peninsula of Quebec, Canada. Learn from botanist Dennis W. Woodland how plants have developed survival adaptations in this harsh biome. The flora and ecology of each of these geographical regions will be discussed, with many lovely alpine species illustrated. Meeting location: Copeland Commons, TaborSpace, Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, see above for details. Contact: Willow at salixsky@hotmail.com or 503-358-5848.

April 15, Saturday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Field Trip: Memaloose Hills. Wildflower hike in the east Gorge, moderate, 5-6 miles, 800 ft. gain. This hike is jam-packed with flower species, including the rare violet *suksdorfia* and big shows of balsamroot. It also boasts a pioneer road, basalt formations, and views of the Columbia River and Cascade peaks. Located just east of the town of Mosier, this hike was a favorite of Russ Jolley. 140 mile round-trip drive. Co-leaders Beth Magnus and Clarice Johnston. Contact Clarice to sign up and receive carpool information: eclarice@gmail.com. Departure time 8:30; return to Portland approximately 4:30.

April 19, Wednesday, 5:30 pm

Field Trip: Canemah Bluff Natural Area. This Metro property sits above the historic riverboat community of Canemah, off US 99E in Oregon City. It features restored meadows full of camas, *Brodiaea*, lilies, rosy plectritis, and oak and fir woodlands. Metro's science team has removed invasive plants and strategically thinned trees to help restore the oak habitat. The 2013 Natural Areas Levy has enabled Metro to add ADA access, improve the trails through the prairie, and add a nice overlook with art installations. Limited to 12

people. Parking is very limited, please carpool. Location: 815 4th Ave., Oregon City. For more information contact leader Jason Clinch, jason.clinch@gmail.com or 503-706-2404.

April 23, Sunday, 9:30 am-11:30 am

Field Trip: The Great Camas Scotch Broom Pull. We have made excellent progress toward control of Scotch broom on this piece of property near Carson, Wash. that Russ Jolley loved and cared for. We will be removing new sprouts and remaining plants. We'll have saws and loppers but it may be helpful to bring yours also. Please do bring gloves and clippers. We will work for about 1.5 hours, followed by a quick lunch and optional hike at nearby Lost Creek (see below). Those not hiking may do a short botany trip in the area before carpooling back to Portland. Co-led by Roger Brewer, Portland Chapter, and Don Hardin, Suksdorfia Chapter, Washington Native Plant Society. Contact Roger Brewer, rogerbrewer@comcast.net for carpool information.

April 23, Sunday

Field Trip: Giant Trees of Lost Creek.

The price of admission to this hike is a morning stint of Scotch broom pulling (see above). Reward your labors with a hike underneath the ancient Douglas-fir and western red cedar trees of Lost Creek. In the late 1990s, Russ Jolley helped save this 170 acres of big old trees from a timber sale. We will follow an unofficial path on a fairly easy 1.5 mile loop. Expect to walk across streams on logs and climb over or around fallen trees. We will leave from the Great Camas Patch. Bring water, snacks, hiking boots and warm jackets and hats. Contact Susan Saul for more information, susan103saul@gmail.com.

April 25, Tuesday, 6 pm

Field Trip: Cooper Mountain Nature Park. Join us to explore the abundance of native wildflowers at Cooper Mountain Nature Park. Rick Shory has worked throughout the West as a Forest Service botanist and will share wildflower insights. We'll hike through prairies, forest, and oak woodlands,

including nicely restored oak savannah habitat. If the sky is clear, we will enjoy expansive views of the Tualatin Valley and Chehalem Hills. Long sleeves and pants recommended, there is extensive poison oak. Pets are not allowed in the park. Led by Rick Shory, Melanie Nead, and Brenda Hamilton. Location: Cooper Mountain Nature Park, 18892 SW Kemmer Rd., Beaverton. To sign up, contact Brenda Hamilton, bhamilt86@yahoo.com or 510-205-5849.

April 26, Wednesday, 5:30 pm

Field Trip: Camassia Preserve

Easy one mile hike through a Nature Conservancy preserve named for the common camas (*Camassia quamash*), which blooms profusely here in April and early May. This preserve hosts more than 300 plant species. Its rocky plateau was exposed 12,000–19,000 years ago when the Bretz or Missoula Floods swept soil and vegetation from parts of the Willamette Valley. Location: meet us at the Preserve entrance, 5000 Walnut St., West Linn. The preserve is small so you could still join the group if running late. For more information contact hike leader Jason Clinch, jason.clinch@gmail.com or 503-706-2404. Limited to 12 people. Parking is very limited, please carpool.

April 29, Saturday

Field Trip: Conboy Lake National Wildlife Refuge. The Willard Springs Foot Trail is a mostly flat 3.8 mile loop along the edge of the open marsh and into the pines. The different habitats along the trail provide some of the greatest diversity of wildflower species in the Columbia Gorge—up to 70 in a single hike—including *Corallorhiza* and some other uncommon species. Group size is limited, please register by contacting Ron Klump at ronklump55@comcast.net. For further hike details contact Don Hardin at donhardin2@gmail.com.

May 9, Tuesday, Noon

Field Trip: Urban Lunch Hour Walk, Tanner Springs Park. Led by Rick Shory, who has worked throughout the West as a Forest Service botanist. In this sunny "restoration ecology," the parks department has gathered some native

wildflowers you would have to travel far to see in their natural haunts. Water features make a pleasant retreat from the urban bustle. Location: Meet at the SW corner of the park, NW Marshall and NW 11th Ave. in downtown Portland. If you get there late we will be easy to spot as the entire park is just one city block. Sign up is not required, but will allow the leader to contact you if anything changes, rickshory@gmail.com or 503-253-8100.

May 11, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Wildflowers of Northern

Arizona. Join Corvallis Chapter members Dan Luoma and Joyce Eberhart as they re-create exploring the spectacular wildflowers and landscapes of northern Arizona. From 5,000 ft. near Boynton Canyon and Secret Mountain to the highest reaches of the San Francisco Peaks near Flagstaff, there was tremendous variety in bloom. Views from Walnut Canyon National Monument and the Grand Canyon are also included. Meeting location: Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, see above for details. Contact: Willow at salixsky@hotmail.com or 503-358-5848.

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).

April 15, Saturday, 10 am-noon

Hike: Rough and Ready Botanical

Wayside. This wildflower hike will be over moderately level ground, some on wheelchair-accessible trail. Dress in layers and wear comfortable shoes. Bring water. No dogs please. There are picnic tables if you want to bring lunch. Location: meet at the Wayside parking area on Hwy 199, just south of the Illinois Valley Airport near Cave Junction. For more information call Suzanne Vautier, 541-291-8860.

April 20, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Conservation of Apple-gate's Milkvetch—One of Oregon's Most Imperiled Plants. Applegate's milkvetch, *Astragalus applegatei*, is a narrow endemic of moist alkali meadows in southern Klamath County, Oregon. Once thought to be extinct, it was rediscovered in 1983 and is now known to exist at only six sites in or near the city of Klamath Falls. Dr. Kerry Byrne will discuss the challenges and successes of conserving this species, with a focus on reproductive biology and demographic monitoring. Byrne is currently an assistant professor at Oregon Tech. This fall, she will begin a new position at Humboldt State University in the Department of Environmental Science and Management. 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 umpquavallemnativeplants.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.

New business meeting and program location: Room 310 in the Douglas County Courthouse, 1036 SE Douglas, Roseburg.

Meeting place for field trips: The large parking lot between the Douglas County Library and Douglas County Courthouse (west side of Fowler St. near the creek). Please contact M.A. Hansen at 541-863-8111 (call or text) if you plan to attend any of our field trips.

April 22, Saturday, 10 am-4 pm

Community Event: Earth Day Celebration and Fair. Be sure to visit our booth when you come to the Earth Day Fair. Members are ready to answer questions and offer handouts. We also have landscaping information. Entry fee is canned food for the local food bank. Location: Douglas Hall at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Roseburg, I-5 exit 123.

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

Community Event: Glide Wildflower Show. See the article about the Show in this *Bulletin* or visit glidewildflower-show.org.

May 6, Saturday, 9 am-4 pm

Community Event: Master Gardeners Plant and Garden Expo. This has to be the biggest plant sale in town. Vendors fill the building with everything gardening. You are bound to find something you like. Stop by our booth and say hello. Members are available to answer your questions on many topics including landscaping and restoration. We have a lot of reference material to share. Location: Douglas County Fair Grounds in Roseburg, I-5 exit 123.

May 13, Saturday, 9 am-5 pm

Field Trip: Dog Creek of the North Umpqua Highway. Larry Broeker, retired geologist with the Umpqua National Forest, will lead this field trip to the Dog Creek Indian Cave located just off Bradley Ridge in the headwaters of the Dog Creek watershed. This site is characterized by cavernous outcroppings of hydrothermally altered volcanic tuff. *Kalmiopsis fragrans* hangs as long trailers from vugs and cavities and inside the small cave are pictographs (pictorial images) drawn by indigenous peoples. Bring appropriate foot gear and clothing, including a rain parka and fleece, lunch, water, and a camera/tripod. Location: meet in the parking lot between the Douglas County Library and Douglas County Courthouse, see above for details. Please contact M.A. Hansen, 541-863-8111, to confirm your attendance.

Willamette Valley

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

April 9, Sunday, 1-4 pm

Scavenger Hunt: Passport to Nature—Birds and Blooms. Bush's Pasture Park and Deepwood Museum and Garden are home to more than 60 native wildflowers. Join John Savage of the Willamette Valley Chapter on this family-friendly hunt for dozens of wildflowers growing under oak trees,

conifers, streamside alders, and in open meadows. Bird experts and other naturalists will join John to identify birds and other animals in the park. Youth participants will receive a field journal for flower drawings. Location: Bush's Pasture Park and Deepwood Museum and Garden, Salem. Cost: \$10 suggested donation per person. Children 11 and under are free. No RSVP or pre-registration required. For more information, email

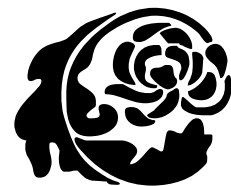
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April 13, Thursday, 6-7 pm

Nature Talk: The Secret Meadow at Silver Falls. Join park ranger Matt Palmquist for an exploration of the flowering plants at Silver Falls State Park. This slideshow will highlight flowers from every corner of the park—from beneath the misty waterfalls to deep forests and open meadows, including a special access area that is home to gummy gooseberry and other native species. Reception to follow. Location: Eco Hub, Willamette Heritage Center, 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem. Cost: \$5 suggested donation at the door. No registration or RSVP required. For more information, email Info@StraubEnvironmentalCenter.org.

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.



Candidates, *cont'd*

nine years. Four years ago, she retired from the Oregon Shakespeare Festival (also a nonprofit) after serving as the business and accounting manager for thirteen years. Prior to that she was the accounting manager for Jefferson Public Radio and had her own book-keeping/accounting business for fourteen years, keeping books for many small businesses and nonprofits in the Southern Oregon area. She previously served as treasurer of Southern Oregon Land Conservancy, and was also a board member of the Southern Oregon Child Study and Treatment Center. Currently she spends her time trekking through the Southern Oregon area and beyond trying to remember her botany from her years of study at SOU in the eighties.

Directors-at-large:

Dawn Anzinger (Corvallis). Hello, everyone! I'm mother to a 10 year-old boy, partner to a wonderful man (who loves plants as much as I do!), and an avid year-round gardener. I also work full time as a senior instructor in the Forest Ecosystems & Society Department of Oregon State University. I teach undergraduate courses in dendrology (tree identification), forest biology, and natural resource issues. I received an MS in Forest Ecology in 2002 from Oregon State University. My thesis research was funded by the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and examined the relationship between forest succession and fruit production in *Vaccinium membranaceum*, one of the honored first fruits of the Sahaptin people. Before returning to school, I worked as a farm laborer on several organic vegetable farms in northern California. During graduate school I continued to market garden, but these days my gardening is focused on growing healthy food for and with my family. I am fascinated by the deep bond that exists between people and plants, both for survival, sustenance, and health, as well as for creative inspiration and spiritual connection.

Alexis Brickner (Siskiyou) received her BS in Environmental Science from the University of Kansas and later an MS in Ecology from Oregon State University in 2013. She recently moved to Medford from Coos Bay, where she had been lowlands restoration projects manager for the Coos Watershed Association. Alexis fell in love with Oregon during a sustainable living skills internship at Aprovecho in Cottage Grove. After finishing her bachelor's degree in Kansas, Alexis found a passion for restoration during a riparian restoration internship on the Gunnison River in Colorado in 2007. She spent three months planting native species and removing invasive ones. In the process, she gained an appreciation of the importance of restoring our beautiful natural areas. Shortly after that Alexis moved to Oregon to work for the Institute for Applied Ecology in Corvallis. She worked in conservation research and spent two summers traveling throughout the state, collecting data and fine tuning her botany skills. In pursuing her master's degree at Oregon State University, she worked on an experimental reintroduction of northern wormwood (*Artemisia campestris* var. *wormskioldii*) along the Columbia River. Alexis has previously served our society as president of the South Coast

Chapter and co-president of the Corvallis Chapter.

Esther McEvoy (Corvallis) earned a BA in Art from Lewis and Clark College in 1974 and a BS from Portland State University in 1978. During the field seasons of 1979 and 1980 she worked as a range conservationist (botanist) for the Burns District of the Bureau of Land Management, conducting rare plant inventories all over the district and also worked on establishing Diamond Craters as an Outstanding Natural Area. Esther, along with fellow graduate students and other botanists at Oregon State University, founded the Corvallis Chapter of NPSO in 1981. In 1985, as NPSO legislative committee chair, she started working on a draft of the state Endangered Species Bill, which was passed in 1987, the culmination of years of hard work by many environmental groups. Over the last twenty-five years, Esther has led and helped organize many NPSO field trips. In 2000, Esther started Willamette Gardens, a native plant nursery that specializes in organically grown native plants from Oregon and neighboring states. Esther has served as president and vice president of the Corvallis Chapter many times and was selected for an NPSO Fellows Award in 2015.

New Botanical Nonprofit

Flora ID, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with the mission of promoting botanical education and research, and developing plant identification tools, is now continuing the production and development of the interactive plant identification software previously produced by Flora ID Northwest.

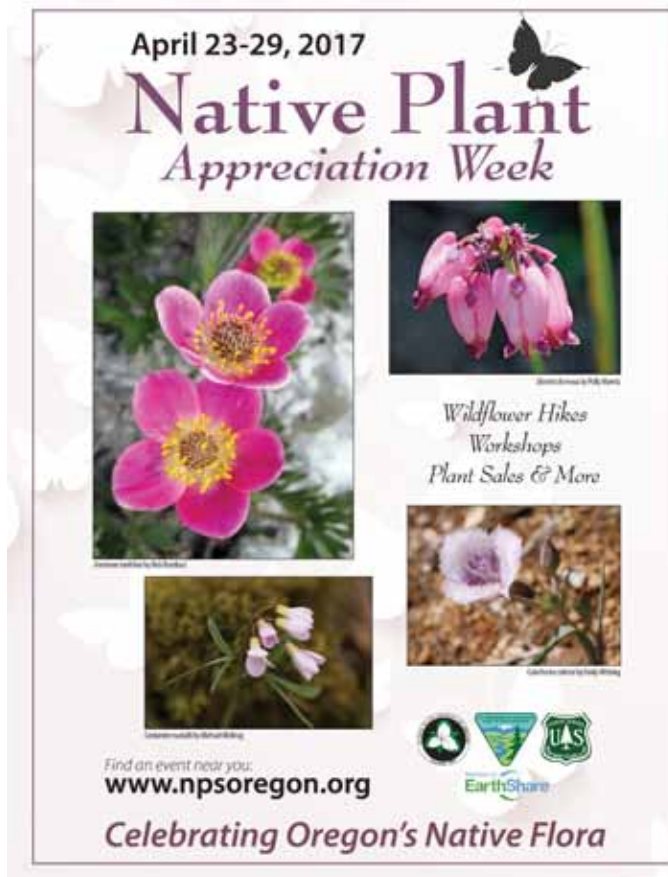
One of our first actions has been to release new, more comprehensive apps for Android devices. These apps, simply named "(state/province/region) Plants," are a major step forward. Each of the new apps includes all of the native and naturalized vascular plants of each region named in the app title; they are in effect a complete flora on your phone or tablet in your pocket, independent from wi-fi or cell towers. They are now on the Google Play store; search for "flora id" including quotation marks, and look for their mostly white icons. They work the same as the wildflower apps published three years ago, which are still available (with mostly green icons).

All net proceeds from the sale of apps or PC software go to support the mission of the organization.

Native Plant Appreciation Week is April 23-29

Our 2017 poster is designed by Susan Berger and features photos by Polly Maertz, Rick Bombaci, Emily Whiting, and Michael McKeag. Spend the week outdoors with Portland Chapter field trips, a sunset picnic with the Corvallis Chapter, and a Cheahmill Chapter work party, then come inside the Glide community center for the wildflower show. Events are listed in this *Bulletin* and, for the Portland area, online at npswpdx.org.

Extend your appreciation throughout the spring at wildflower shows, native plant sales, and workshops. For a statewide list of these events, hosted by various organizations, visit npsoregon.org/wildflowers.html.



New Portland Chapter President

Please welcome Alix Danielsen as the new president of the Portland Chapter. Thank you to Linda Hardie for her year of service as president.

Citizen's Rare Plant Watch Update

What a time we had last season, before all this rain! 2016 was the first year of Citizen's Rare Plant Watch as part of the Rae Selling Berry Seed Bank & Plant Conservation Program. We built (gratefully) on the success of the program begun in 2012 by Erin Gray of NPSO's Rare and Endangered Plants Committee. Groups sallied forth from spring to fall last year, searching for early bloomers in the Gorge, up into the Coast Range, the Cascades and out to the coastal dunes late in the season. Including non-group reporting, over 30 volunteers participated in gathering data on 15 populations from all over Oregon. We couldn't have asked for sweeter weather, plant-geekier volunteers or lovelier plants. We will be publishing reports in the *Bulletin* and on Facebook throughout this next season to share our treasure hunt successes.

The Bureau of Land Management granted us \$20,000 to support our efforts in 2017, and we already have a long list of site visits this year, which we will be ready to make public soon. We will hold our day-long spring training on April 15. Wendy Gibble of Rare Care will lead this training, sharing from her decade-plus experience with rare plant monitoring. If you would like to lead or participate in an outing, or search for plants in your area, please contact Kris Freitag, kfreitag@pdx.edu or 503-725-2468.

EarthShare Oregon 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.



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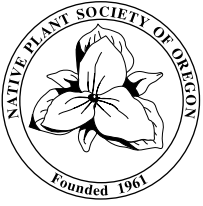
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