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IT'S RENEWAL TIME!

The NPSO membership year is January to December. Now is the time for members to renew for 2019. You will receive an email notice shortly if your membership needs renewal this fall. **We will send out an email message in the next few days to all of you whose membership is up for renewal this year.** This message will have links to renew online or by mail. We highly encourage you to renew online at that time as it would be a huge help to our volunteer membership coordinator.

It's also a great time to consider a tax-deductible contribution to our special funds. If possible, make a [donation online](#) (mail-in donations are also gratefully accepted). NPSO greatly appreciates your contributions to any of the following five 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 [OregonFlora](#)

Now on to the eBulletin! As a reminder, if you prefer to read a hard copy, you can click on the link at the top of this email that says "view this email in your browser," and then "print" this e-newsletter as a PDF. If you have any questions, please contact us at bulletin@npsoregon.org.

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**Don't forget to submit your photos for the
2019 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 - or maybe even last winter or fall? 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.

As NPSO is transitioning to a new website, we are trying a new procedure for photo submission (borrowed from WNPS): email. Entries must be emailed to npawphotos@npsoregon.org. Each person may enter two photos of Oregon native plants (photographed in Oregon with photographer name, scientific name, common name, photo location, and photo date). **All entries must be received by December 15, 2018.**

Photos will be rated and selected by the poster committee based on subject matter, composition, and technical excellence. The poster designer has sole discretion of not using an image should it not work into the overall layout or is deemed to not be of

satisfactory quality. The selected photographer(s) must be able to provide a high-resolution and preferably unedited image (at least 300 dpi) version of the image and must allow NPSO to reproduce the image free of charge for our poster, website, and related publicity material. If you have any questions, please email them to npawphotos@npsoregon.org.

State & Chapter Notes

State Notes/Announcements:

State Board Meeting - the next State Board Meeting is scheduled for January.

Membership News - We are in the process of changing our membership management program. Since 2003, we have tracked all your address changes and membership renewals on a wonderful Microsoft Access database created by Clay Gauthier. We currently have over 700 members!

Our new system, on Paid Membership Pro, will be accessible from our new website, and will offer you the opportunity to maintain your own membership profile. Stay tuned for more information.

In the meantime, please share this information: if you know of any members who have not received this November e-Bulletin, it may be because we do not have their email address. Have them contact membership@npsoregon.org.

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### **Chapter Notes:**

#### **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](mailto: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, Jeanie Taylor, at [jeanie@fastmail.com](mailto:jeanie@fastmail.com).

Meeting and work party location: Carnegie Room, McMinnville Public Library, [225 NW Adams St.](#) (corner of Highway 99W and SW Second St.), McMinnville. The library parking lot may be entered from either Adams or Second streets.

**November 15th, Thursday, 6:45 to 8:45pm**

**Program: Connecting Community and Partners with Seed Conservation and Restoration**

Marsha Holt-Kingsley, Native Plant Materials Scientist from Metro's Native Plant Center will discuss their work on using plant material from the wild to support restoration efforts at regional parks and natural areas. Location: McMinnville Public Library, see above for details.

**November 17th, Saturday, 10 to noon**

**Work Party: Native Plant Garden at McMinnville Public Library**

Spend a couple hours between 10 and noon with a congenial crew and get to know native plants with our new green plant markers. Learn how the beauty, diversity and educational value of this mature demonstration garden is maintained with a minimum of effort. Bring gloves, bucket and gardening tools if you have them. For more information, contact Catie Anderson at [catie.fishback@gmail.com](mailto:catie.fishback@gmail.com) or 503-435-2401.

**Corvallis**

For questions, information on upcoming events, or to be on the Corvallis Chapter email list, contact [co\\_president@NPSOregon.org](mailto:co_president@NPSOregon.org). Find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/CorvallisNPSO](https://facebook.com/CorvallisNPSO).

**November 4, Sunday, 8am-4pm**

**Field Trip: Fungi Collection.**

Wear weather appropriate clothing and bring a lunch and water. You will also need waxed paper or paper sandwich bags to hold the fungi, maybe a basket. Location: meet at the OSU Wilkinson Hall parking lot on the SW corner of 26th and Monroe, across from the Monroe Beanery at 8am. For information, contact field trip leaders: Amy Rossman, [amydianer@yahoo.com](mailto:amydianer@yahoo.com), or Michele Wiseman, [mwiseman@gmail.com](mailto:mwiseman@gmail.com).

**November 12, Monday, 7:30 pm**

**Program: "Training the next generation: IAE's internship program."**

Matt Bahm of the Institute of Applied Ecology will present on the IAE internship program (to which Corvallis NPSO has contributed). He says, "each year, the Institute for Applied Ecology hires 3-10 interns as part of our Conservation Research Program. Our interns are given the opportunity to work on rare plant and habitat projects throughout Oregon, gaining exposure to many unique ecosystems, plants, and sampling methodologies, preparing them for future opportunities in ecological fields of inquiry." Location: Room 2087, Cordley Hall, OSU. For information, contact Judi, [judi.sanders@gmail.com](mailto:judi.sanders@gmail.com).

**December 17, Monday, 6:30 pm**

**Program: Winter Celebration and Slide Show**

Bring a snack to share as we socialize. Bring up to 15 slides to show and plan to limit sharing to ten minutes. Location: home of Loren Russell, 3420 SW Willamette Ave., Corvallis. For information contact Judi, [judi.sanders@gmail.com](mailto:judi.sanders@gmail.com).

**January 14, Monday, 7:30**

**Program: “An herbivore’s dilemma? The scorpionfly Caurinus and its taste for liverworts”**

Presented by Loren Russell. Caurinus (Mecoptera: Boreidae, 2 described species in coastal forest from Cape Perpetua OR to Sitka AK) are minute, flightless, and extremely isolated taxonomically. Caurinus feed exclusively as adults and larvae on some, but not all, leafy liverworts (Jungermanniales and Porellales), presenting an interesting case of host/predator coevolution. Location: Room 2087, Cordley Hall, OSU. For information, contact Judi, judi.sanders@gmail.com.

### **Emerald**

Visit the Emerald Chapter Web site at <http://emerald.npsoregon.org> to learn more about the latest chapter events, plant lists and botanical information about Lane County plants and the people who love them.

**Monday November 19th, 7:00pm**

**Amazon Community Center at 2700 Hilyard St, Eugene**

**Southern Beech Forests, Flowering Plants & Landscapes of Patagonia with Gail Baker**

The Patagonia region at the southernmost tip of South America is vast! Patagonia includes two countries, spans 14 degrees of latitude, is over 1551 miles long and is home to extensive ice fields and glaciers, jagged mountains and a giant extinct ground sloth. Its forests are dominated by deciduous beech trees, not conifers, and its plant communities are made up of a combination of species with relatives in Australia as well as the Americas. The Patagonian floral emblem is a close relative of Oregon’s state flower, the Oregon grape. As we experience late fall in Eugene Patagonia is in the glow of late spring, join plant ecologist Gail Baker to travel to Los Glaciares and Torres Del Paine National Parks and view the forests, plants, animals, and mountains of this remote and magical region.

### **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, [carlajeancole@gmail.com](mailto:carlajeancole@gmail.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>.

## Mid-Columbia

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

## Portland

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 hikes 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. 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.

\*\* The Portland Chapter would like to thank Don Jacobson for his production of The Calochortus. His countless volunteer hours have been greatly appreciated.

\*\* **The Portland Chapter is seeking a new chapter president.** The President shall preside at Chapter program meetings and Chapter Executive Committee (board) meetings, represent the Chapter at quarterly NPSO State Board meetings and other functions, appoint committee chairpersons, and perform additional functions as required. Average monthly time commitment: ~2-6 hours. If you're interested in learning more about a board position, please email [po\\_president@npsoregon.org](mailto:po_president@npsoregon.org).

### **November 8th, 7:00pm @ TaborSpace**

#### **Program: Plant Defenses of the Amazon Forest**

Georgia Sinimbu studied the evolutionary life of extrafloral nectaries in the Amazon Forest of Brazil, her homeland. Her incredible time among the biome and all it's living creatures will unfold ending up with her doctoral degree. She now lives in Portland where she's still cooling off.

### **December 13, 7:00pm @ TaborSpace**

#### **Members Holiday Slide Show**

The annual tradition lives on to gather during the winter to show personal slides from travels near and far. A fun way to get to know more of the Portland Chapter members with light refreshments brought from home.

## 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 2018, make a suggestion, or provide feedback regarding the field trip program, please contact Katelyn Detweiler, [detweiler.katelyn@gmail.com](mailto:detweiler.katelyn@gmail.com). Join us on

Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/SiskiyouChapterNativePlantSocietyOfOregon>

**November 15th, 7:00pm**

**Program: En-lichen-ment**

Lichens are beautiful and curious organisms that provide many services to the greater community. Kristi Mergenthaler, botanist and Stewardship Director with Southern Oregon Land Conservancy, will share some lichen stories which could lead to your “enlichenment”. This talk is suitable for the general public. Refreshments at 6:45pm, meeting and program at 7:00pm. Location: Southern Oregon University Science Building, Room 161. Free and open to the public. For information contact Alexis at alexislarsen1983@gmail.com or 860-878-2049.

### Umpqua Valley

Visit [umpquavalleynativeplants.com](http://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](http://www.facebook.com/UmpquaValleyNPSO). Not online - call Donna Rawson 541-643-0364.

### Willamette Valley

For program information, contact John Savage at 503-779-5414, [john@straubcenter.org](mailto:john@straubcenter.org).

**Thursday, November 15, 6:00–7:00 p.m.**

**Program: Plant Stories that Connect Oregon and Ireland**

Join noted Irish illustrator, designer, and horticulturist Aislinn Adams as she traces the journey of a variety of plants, across several hundred years, to show how they found their way from the Pacific Northwest into gardens and forests of Great Britain and Ireland. Adams uses contemporary and historical botanical art to illustrate the plants’ evolving stories. Her illustrated talk also reveals intriguing socio-political links between Oregon and Ireland. Adams is currently working on a major project for the Friends of Silver Falls State Park to illustrate 30 plant species native to Oregon. Reception will follow. Location: Eco Hub, 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem. Cost: \$5 suggested donation at the door. No registration or RSVP is required. For more information, please contact John Savage at [john@straubcenter.org](mailto:john@straubcenter.org) or 503-779-5414.

### William Cusick

Chapter notices and communications are done primarily through a Google group. For more information or to be added to the Google group, please contact Susan Geer at 541-963-0477 or [susanmgeer@gmail.com](mailto:susanmgeer@gmail.com). Find us on Instagram at [instagram.com/wm.cusick.chapter](https://www.instagram.com/wm.cusick.chapter). Our website is not currently functional.



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Director, [Oregon Flora Project](http://www.oregonflora.org)

OregonFlora is developing a comprehensive reference about the plants of Oregon that includes distribution maps, images of live plants and herbarium specimens, descriptions, and identification tools. The information is available to the public via our website, [www.oregonflora.org](http://www.oregonflora.org). Funding for the direct operating expenses of the OregonFlora program comes exclusively from competitive grants and donations from organizations and individuals. The contributions people give of their time and financial resources are a critical part of our operating budget. If you would like to be a part of the team that keeps OregonFlora progressing, please contact us at [ofpflora@oregonflora.org](mailto:ofpflora@oregonflora.org), or phone 541-737-4338.

We gratefully accept your donations online ([www.oregonflora.org/supportOFP.php](http://www.oregonflora.org/supportOFP.php)) or mailed directly to: Agricultural Research Foundation, 1600 SW Western Blvd. Ste. 320, Corvallis, OR 97333. Please make checks payable to the Agricultural Research Foundation and include "OregonFlora" on the memo line.



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