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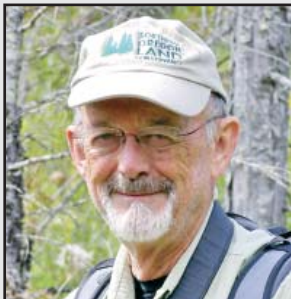
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Two years have passed since my last editorial in which I resigned from the position of editor and, yet, here I am finishing another issue of *Kalmiopsis*. I'm pleased with this final issue. It has the breadth and depth that I strive for in each issue. Subjects range from Wallula Gap in far northeastern Oregon to the remote Owyhee region of southeastern Oregon; north to south along the salt-sprayed rock bluffs of the Pacific coast and along the crest of the Cascade Range that divides western and eastern Oregon. The Plant of the Year is sea bluff bluegrass and the Oregon Plants, Oregon Places article highlights Juniper Canyon in Umatilla County. Two articles give details of newly described species in Oregon, *Fragaria cascadiensis*, *Lomatium bentonitum* and *L. ravenii* var. *paiutense*.

As of yet, no one has volunteered to take over as editor of our Society's journal, but this year I have no unfulfilled promises to authors, so I can retire. In the interim I've made one change to transition *Kalmiopsis* into the future. When it was clear that no one wanted to store old issues anymore, Kareen and I heaved the paper archives into the recycle bin, an experience that was transforming for me. I vowed that future issues would be entirely electronic. Beginning this year, *Kalmiopsis* will not be printed, but is available online for anyone to print an article or file a PDF on a computer or tablet for future reference. Not only is this approach environmentally justified, but it saves NPSO the cost of printing and mailing. At the same time, the journal continues to provide a record of Oregon's rich botanical legacy. Perhaps the next incarnation of *Kalmiopsis* will be a blog or an app. It will please me immensely if someone volunteers who has the skills and passion to carry it forward. —Cindy Roché, Editor.



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