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Explorer's gentian (*Gentiana calycosa*). Tidbits Mountain. Linn County, Oregon. September 8, 2002.

Photo by Tanya Harvey, Courtesy of Oregon Flora.

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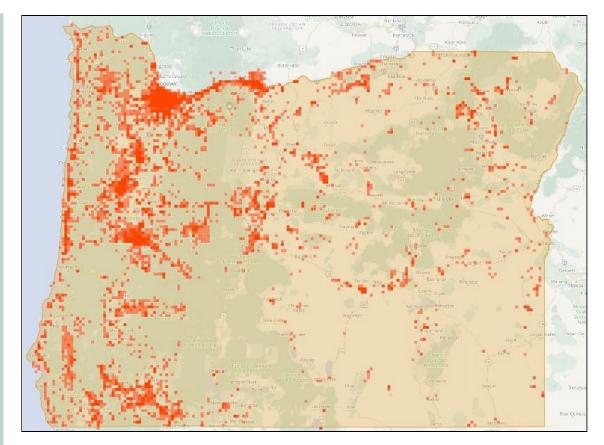
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## Native Plant Appreciation Month iNaturalist Florablitz Blossoms

The 2024 Native Plant Appreciation Month iNaturalist Florablitz blossomed from ten days in 2023 to the entire month in 2024. The Florablitz recorded 35,535 observations of angiosperms (which was 10,000 observations more than recorded in April of 2023 on iNaturalist). These observations were submitted from many areas around Oregon.



2024 Native Plant Appreciation Month iNaturalist Florablitz observations.

According to Oregon Flora (<a href="https://oregonflora.org/pages/taxonomic-checklist.php">https://oregonflora.org/pages/taxonomic-checklist.php</a>), about 70% of the taxa identified to at least the species level were native. You can see a summary of the results on the project page

at <a href="https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/npso-s-native-plant-appreciation-month-florablitz-2024">https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/npso-s-native-plant-appreciation-month-florablitz-2024</a>. Unfortunately, research grade observations are available for only about 59% of these observations which means the project would benefit from more identifiers and more identifications. If you are an iNaturalist user, you can help improve the results of our project by taking a few minutes to review some of the observations that need identification. Just click the "identify" button on the observations page

(https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/npso-s-native-plant-appreciation-month-florablitz-2024?tab=observations).

Why does recording of all of these plant sightings through citizen science matter? Protecting our native flora requires effort from all of us. There simply aren't enough government or privately employed botanists to be everywhere across our beautiful and floristic state documenting our flora. The observations of native species in the 2024 florablitz included sightings of at least twenty taxa identified as rare by Oregon Flora (<a href="https://oregonflora.org/pages/rare-plant-factsheets.php">https://oregonflora.org/pages/rare-plant-factsheets.php</a>). Not all of these are of research grade so here is another reason to add your identifications to the project. Recording sightings of these rare species can help document their continued

existence and provide directions for people charged with surveying these plants, both of which are important to protect these native species.

Citizen science reports are not just significant for documenting rare species. They can also identify threats of our native species. Since about 30% of the taxa were nonnative, it should be no surprise that there were observations of problematic species. While no observations of the Oregon Department of Agriculture's A list weeds were noted (<a href="https://www.oregon.gov/oda/programs/weeds/oregonnoxiousweeds/pages/aboutoregonweeds.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/oda/programs/weeds/oregonnoxiousweeds/pages/aboutoregonweeds.aspx</a>), there were numerous observations of B list weeds such as *Cytisus scoparius*, Scotch broom. In addition, at least two invasive species were found in new locations, *Celastrus orbiculatus*, Oriental bittersweet, and *Vicia lathyroides*, spring vetch. Both were reported to appropriate authorities so that action can be taken. Who are those appropriate authorities? A number of entities have responsibility for combating invasive plant species in Oregon, but the Oregon Invasive Species Council is a good place to start to learn about them. If you think you have found an invasive species, you can report it at Report an Invader.

It is the people, the citizen scientists as well as professional scientists, that make this project work. This included 2646 observers and 846 identifiers. NPSO and all of the native plant enthusiasts in Oregon thank you for your contributions to the project. -Judi Sanders

### **Head to Heart Conservation**

"When the Wallowa people left the valley, we were told to look back, because we may not ever see it again. Today we are finally coming back, and it feels like we are at home...seeing these mountains is strong medicine for the heart." ~ Allen Pinkham Sr., Nez Perce elder, historian and tribal storyteller.



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Over the past decade, Wallowa Land Trust, together with our colleagues in the Oregon land trust community, have been having heartfelt conversations about how our work has impacted native communities, the original people who cared for these lands since time immemorial. Wallowa County is the ancestral homeland of the Nez Perce, Umatilla, Cayuse, and Walla Walla people. After being violently removed in 1877, the task of healing that wound has been a long road, one that we as a land trust have an important role to play.

Encouraged and supported by you and our peers in the conservation community, Wallowa Land Trust has taken a hard look at how we pursue our mission in Northeastern Oregon. Are we truly meeting our stated goal to collaborate meaningfully with Indigenous people? We started slow, focusing on relationship building and outreach. Today, that effort has evolved into a robust program that incorporates tribal priorities into our conservation work.

This started in earnest back in 2019 after we visited several reservations and held a series of listening sessions. We wanted to hear what was important to tribal members. We visited the Colville Reservation in Washington, the Umatilla Reservation in Oregon, and the Nez Perce reservation in Idaho. Common themes emerged from those visits such as concern over diminished access to treaty-guaranteed usual and accustomed areas. Tribal members wanted to be able to continue traditional lifeways, which is an

impossible task without access to the land. We heard about the importance of gathering First Foods and how that relates to language and cultural survival. Tribal members wanted, *needed* opportunities to take their children and grandchildren out on the land, sharing cultural knowledge on the ground. It is the difference between talking about riding a bike and actually riding the bike. You cannot truly learn it until you do it.

Yet even if access was available, for many tribal members, Wallowa County was too far away. The nearest reservation is two hours away. Coming to Wallowa County takes resources - time, gas, hotel rooms, food. For many, this created an insurmountable financial barrier. We also heard concerns about not feeling welcomed in Wallowa County. One woman shared an incident that happened in the 1980s which made her not want to return to the county because she didn't feel safe or welcome.

These were hard conversations to have, and I often felt my defenses coming up. Or a sense of helplessness in the face of what were huge, systemic problems. It was hard to know what to do with all that information. Everything we heard was the result of over 100 years of colonization and trauma. The question was not just what could we possibly do about it but why should we do anything at all?

We are a land trust. We work to protect wildlife habitat. Beautiful open spaces. Farms and ranches. How would stepping into this work with Indigenous people meet that mission? For some of us, this was much easier to conceptualize, while for others, it took a bit longer. There was a lot to learn and even more to unlearn.

The Coalition of Oregon Land Trusts was an important part of this journey. Thanks to the Oregon Land Justice Project, we were given the knowledge, the history, context, and encouragement to pursue this very difficult work. And over the course of five years, the way I looked at the land was fundamentally changed. It moved from my brain into my heart. And this was a direct result of working with tribes.

The first thing we did after those listening sessions back in 2019 was to reach out to several private landowners we knew to see if they were interested in allowing access to their property for Indigenous gatherers. We raised money to support travel and invited tribal members to Wallowa County to meet landowners and dig roots on these lands. We did all that we could to make them feel welcome and to reduce barriers for coming out. The first year we did this, we had 17 Nez Perce women from Idaho, Washington, and Oregon come out and dig on around 1500 acres of land. Now, five years later, our Wallowa Gathering program has taken off in ways we never imagined. This past year, we had 160+ tribal members gathering in the county for four days. Multiple generations of

families gathering foods on more than 85,000 acres of land, and in the process, sharing cultural knowledge, strengthening connections to the land and each other, developing relationships with landowners, and experiencing feeling welcomed in the community.

Over and over again, we have heard about how important and meaningful this program is and how it has been instrumental in starting to heal old wounds. Seeing ancient gardens of biscuitroot/cous tended and regenerating moves the heart in ways no data point in a PowerPoint presentation ever could.

As much as this has been healing for us, for native people, it has also been healing for the land. The Nez Perce, Cayuse, and Umatilla lived, breathed, and cared for that land for at least 16,000 years. They evolved together with the plants and animals. The land was carefully tended to and in turn, the land took care of the people. This knowledge, traditional ecological knowledge, has not been lost, just lying in wait to bloom in our communities as we reconsider our role on the landscape. I am so grateful to the generous knowledge bearers that have shared their wisdom with me, opening my eyes to seeing the land in a completely different way. Reciprocity is at the heart of these lessons - shifting how we think about the natural world around us. Plants, animals, fish, rocks, they are all our relatives, not simply resources to be used. This is what is truly at the heart of this work.

As our relationships with the tribes grew and the way we thought about land stewardship shifted, we began to seriously consider what it might mean to return land to the Nez Perce. In 2023, we made the decision to return a 30-acre parcel of land we owned on the West Moraine of Wallowa Lake to the Nez Perce Tribe. Again, it was with the support and encouragement of you, our members, and the land trust community that we were able to do this. Then, just last week, we facilitated the return of another 17 acres on the Moraine to the Nez Perce people. Local landowners David and Dolores Bridges made the monumental decision to gift their land to the Tribe while retaining a life estate. Their generosity and foresight is truly an inspiration, and I hope that others will follow in their footsteps. To be a part of that historical moment still blows my mind. When the Nez Perce riders (pictured above and below) appeared on the ridgetop and approached us in their regalia, whooping with joy, I felt my chest seize up at the enormity of the occasion.



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Honestly, this is something that could not have been imagined 20 years ago or even 10. It hasn't come without its challenges. Wallowa County is 95% white and conservative. Many people have deep rooted fears around native people returning to the county, fueled by our current toxic political climate. But this community here, you, give us the cushion, the safety, and the encouragement to press on, and do what we know to be fundamentally right.

These are small steps but important ones. The ecological knowledge that Indigenous people carry is a critical piece of tackling the climate crisis that faces us all. Our western way of viewing the world, one that consumes resources, often leaving destruction in its path, is not sustainable. We know that. We believe it is time to make room for tribal voices and tribal leadership.

I know it can be hard to unlearn more than a century of ingrained "truths." I struggle with it every day. But being a part of a larger community gives us strength. Fortitude. Courage. And a lot of gratitude. We know we are not alone, nor should we be.

The reality is, we only have a short window of time to nudge our titanic out of the way of the iceberg in our path, which to me, to Wallowa Land Trust, means embracing the ancient wisdom of our indigenous partners and trusting their leadership. It is not an easy path, and we know we will make missteps but better to misstep than to not step at all. One foot in front of the other - and I am glad that you are here to take the next step with us. -Kathleen Ackley, Executive Director, Wallowa Land Trust. Reprinted courtesy of the Wallowa Land Trust.

## OregonFlora

Our strategy for tackling the monumental task of preparing descriptions and identification keys for over 4,000 plants of Oregon has been to break each *Flora* volume into ten to twelve alphabetically ordered sections. Depending upon the plant families they contain, sections can take us down a narrow or diverse path of editing, illustrations, and taxonomy. For example, Volume 3's Section 7—comprised exclusively of the buckwheat family (Polygonaceae)—was a deep dive into the genus *Eriogonum* and its ninety-three species, bare species, and varieties. At the other end of the spectrum



is our Section 2, with sixteen families, including the mints (Lamiaceae), the mallows (Malvaceae), and the carpet-weeds (Molluginaceae).

One of the sections for which we have completed our editorial process—Section 10—contains the saxifrage family (Saxifragaceae). This family includes many iconic Pacific Northwest species. In 2001, a molecular phylogenetic study of the genus *Saxifraga* resulted in numerous taxa being transferred into the genera *Micranthes* and *Cascadia*, making *Micranthes* the largest genus of this family with seventeen species and varieties and numerous hybrids.

OregonFlora recognizes seven species of <u>Saxifraga</u>, three of which are found within or west of the Cascades. Species can be distinguished by their leaf shape and the presence/absence of spots on the petals. While the west-side saxifrages (S. cespitosa, mertensiana, and vespertina) are mostly past their bloom period, the eastern Oregon species (S. ascendens, austromontana, hyperborea, and oppositifolia) grow at high elevations and flower through August.

Below is the key to Saxifraga, which will appear in Volume 3 of the Flora of Oregon.

#### Key to Saxifraga species:

- 1' Basal leaves  $\leq 25$  mm; flowers not replaced by bulblets, filaments linear.

  - 2' Petals white, cream, or yellow (sometimes pink- or purple-spotted or veined); cauline leaves alternate.
    - 3. Petals spotted.

      - 4' Leaves oblong to spatulate, tips obtuse to rounded, mucronate .... *S. vespertina*
    - 3' Petals not spotted (sometimes purple-veined).

      - 5' Leaves elliptic to spatulate, sessile or blades not well differentiated from petioles; petioles wide, 0–10 mm.

        - 6' Plants not cushion- or mat-forming, biennial; leaves shallowly lobed or toothed

......S. adscendens

OregonFlora would also like to acknowledge and honor Dr. Kenton Chambers, who passed away on May 22, 2024. He authored this floristic treatment and numerous others, including many in the Asteraceae (Volume 2); the Saxifragaceae, and the genus *Delphinium* (Volume 3). We are indebted to Ken's interest and support from the very beginnings of the OregonFlora Project and give our condolences to his spouse, Dr. Henny Chambers.

Contributions to OregonFlora can be made online through our <u>PayPal</u> account, or by sending a check to the address on our <u>Donate</u> page. Please make checks payable to the Agricultural Research Foundation and include "OregonFlora" on the memo line.

- Linda Hardison

## Request for Conservation Committee Members

Every day, Oregon is subject to a wide variety of legislative initiatives, logging plans, and regulatory proposals, many of which affect Oregon's native plants. Fortunately, Oregon has quite a few active non-profit conservation organizations which have fought for years to protect Oregon's forests, meadows, shorelines, and the life within. These organizations are blessed with small but highly motivated staff-people and severely

limited budgets. Some NPSO chapters are engaged with such organizations to assist as volunteers to help raise awareness of problems and to raise money to solve them. NPSO, on the other hand, has a state-wide perspective. NPSO's natural inclination is to protect every threatened native plant population, yet only one (8 Dollar Mountain Nickel Mine) of the potentially harmful active projects is being monitored by state NPSO. This is because the NPSO Conservation committee has been inactive; it has no one to scan the media for news about U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, or private projects, to assess the potential impact of these activities or to consider the actions NPSO might take on behalf of the threatened plants or endangered habitats.

NPSO'S Conservation Committee has been idle for some time but is now revived! The Conservation Committee is looking for people who enjoy watching out for our native plants and the habitats they occupy and taking appropriate action on their behalf. If you enjoy taking care of the land, supporting the conservation activities of the local and state-wide organizations that aim to protect the region's habitats, reading technical documents and translating them into action plans to recommend to the Board, then you belong on the Conservation Committee (a one-year voluntary commitment).

If you're one of those rare people, please send me an email (<a href="mailto:dickodonnell@earthlink.net">dickodonnell@earthlink.net</a>) stating your interest and mention particular geographic areas you'd like to monitor. As soon as we have two or more people interested, we'll declare the Conservation Committee active. Then we'll meet, get acquainted with each other and work out a program. Thanks. Dick O'Donnell, NPSO Conservation Committee Chair

## Membership Survey There is Still Time to Respond

If you didn't get a chance to respond to the membership survey last month, we would still love your input! Please take our survey at this link below and help shape the future of NPSO: <a href="https://forms.gle/inVanbnEXsmHkaXb7">https://forms.gle/inVanbnEXsmHkaXb7</a>.

Thank you! - Rachel Werling

## **Photo Gallery**

Welcome to the *Bulletin* Photo Gallery! Share your photos of Oregon's native flora, field trips, restoration projects, work parties, and activities with other NPSO members. Send photos with the following information: species/event, photographer, names of any

people shown in photo, date of photo, location, and any other information you would like to have included in the photo caption to <a href="mailto:bulletinnpso@gmail.com">bulletinnpso@gmail.com</a>. Please get consent from any people included in your photo prior to sending it.

## **Oregon Mystery Plant**

#### Last Month's Mystery Plant Revealed

Gerald D. Carr, Richard Martinson, Suzie Savoie, Kathleen Sayce, and Paul Slichter all correctly identified the July Mystery Plant as *Lonicera conjugialis*, commonly known as purple-flower honeysuckle. According to *Flora of Oregon*, this deciduous shrub in the honeysuckle family (Caprifoliaceae) is found in rocky areas, streambanks, and wet meadows. Its geographic range is Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, and Idaho. In Oregon it is found in the Blue and Wallowa, Cascade, and Siskiyou Mountains.



Purple-flower honeysuckle. Photo by Jill Kellogg.

Do you have an Oregon Mystery Plant to share? Send it to the editor at <u>bulletinnpso@gmail.com</u>

Native Orchid Conference Journal Available

CLICK HERE to access the latest edition of the Native Orchid Conference Journal (Volume 21.2). In this issue look for many more photo contest entries in a picture-laden article which points out that sometimes things that are the "same" can also be different.

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## **Chapter Notes**

#### 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 <a href="mailto:cheahmillohapter">cheahmillohapter</a> President@NPSOregon.org.

Check out our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/NPSO.Cheahmill">https://www.facebook.com/NPSO.Cheahmill</a>.

Saturday, August 24, 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Work Party: Native Plant Garden at McMinnville Public Library

Location: McMinnville Public Library

Spend a couple hours with a congenial crew and learn how the beauty, diversity, and educational value of this mature demonstration garden is maintained with a minimum of effort. No experience is necessary. Bring gloves, bucket, and gardening tools. Dress for the weather. For more information, contact Catie Anderson at <a href="mailto:catie.fishback@gmail.com">catie.fishback@gmail.com</a> or 971-241-7634.

The library is located at 225 NW Adams Street (corner of Highway 99 W and SW Second Street), McMinnville, Oregon. The library parking lot may be entered from either Adams or Second Streets.

#### **Corvallis**

For questions, information on upcoming events, or to be on the Corvallis Chapter email list, contact <u>co\_president@NPSOregon.org</u>. Find us on Facebook at <u>facebook.com/CorvallisNPSO</u>.

Saturday, August 17th, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm (including drive time)

Field Trip: Beaver Creek State Natural Area and Ona Beach in Newport

Trip Leader: Alexandria Kurowski

Escape the late-summer heat with an easy field trip to a unique and diverse set of plant habitats! We'll start the morning observing various wetland species such as sedges (*Carex* sp.), western water hemlock (*Cicuta douglasii*), and more on a brief hike through

the Beaver Marsh area. After lunch, we'll travel over to Ona Beach across Highway 101 to see coastal species such as *more* sedges, seaside sandwort (*Honckenya peploides*), American searocket (*Cakile edentula*), and hopefully many others!

Due to South Beaver Creek Road being closed, we'll have a short (1/2 mile) hike to the boardwalk area from the visitor's center at Beaver Creek, and potentially another 0.3 miles down the Beaver Marsh Trail if the trail is dry enough. Afterwards, we'll drive over to Ona Beach parking area and walk to the beach from there, about another 0.3 miles for a total of a little over a mile of walking for the entire trip. There is very minimal elevation gain. Please bring lunch and water, dress appropriately for variable weather conditions (could be quite warm at the marsh and windy and cold at the beach), and I'd suggest bringing binoculars if you have an interest in birdwatching.

We will meet at the Oregon State University, Wilkinson Hall parking lot (44.569, -123.281) southwest of Java Crew Corvallis at 26th and Monroe at 9:00 am. To sign up for this field trip, please contact Alex at: <a href="mailto:kurowsal@oregonstate.edu">kurowsal@oregonstate.edu</a>

Saturday, August 31, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Event: Work Party at the Avery Native Plant Garden

Leader: Esther McEvoy

Location: Avery House Nature Center, Avery Park, Corvallis

Dress for the weather and bring gloves, shovel, and clippers. Contact Esther for more information or to RSVP at 541-990-0948 or <a href="mailto:estherco@peak.org">estherco@peak.org</a>.

#### **Emerald**

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

Saturday, August 3, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

Field Trip: Gold Lake Bog

Leaders: Jenny Moore, Middle Fork District Botanist and Jenny Lippert, Retired

Forest Service Botanist

Join botanists Jenny Moore (current district botanist) and Jenny Lippert (retired Forest Service botanist) for a foray into the botanical wonderland of Gold Lake Bog, which was designated as a Research Natural Area in 1965. This area hosts several rare botanical species such as Rannoch-rush (*Scheuchzeria palustris*), several species of the carnivorous bladderworts (*Utricularia intermedia*, U. *minor*, and U. *vulgaris*), and other fun fen species such as sundews, bog laurel, bog birch, and of course *Sphagnum* sp. moss. Bring a walking stick or poles if needed, as we will be walking downhill from the trail into the bog and cross-country once there. Approximate roundtrip is 4 miles. Plan to get your feet wet or wear rubber boots. Bring a lunch and water, and a sun hat as there is little shade. Sign up here

### **High Desert**

For information, visit our website: <a href="www.highdesertnpsoregon.org">www.highdesertnpsoregon.org</a> or Facebook page: <a href="mailto:Native Plant Society of Oregon: High Desert Chapter">Native Plant Society of Oregon: High Desert Chapter</a>, or email us at <a href="highdesertnpso@gmail.com">highdesertnpso@gmail.com</a>. Find our latest field trip observations on iNaturalist, <a href="https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/high-desert-chapter-npso-field-trips">https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/high-desert-chapter-npso-field-trips</a>.

#### Klamath Basin

For information on the Klamath Basin Chapter, contact <u>kb\_president@npsoregon.org</u>, visit our website: <a href="http://klamathbasinnps.com">http://klamathbasinnps.com</a>, or find us on Facebook: <a href="mailto:(13) KlamathBasin Chapter">(13) KlamathBasin Chapter</a> - Native Plant Society of Oregon | Facebook.

#### **Portland**

Our members receive *The Calochortus*, our monthly e-newsletter with field trips, programs, news, and events for the Portland area. If you are a Portland Chapter member and not receiving it, notify us at <a href="mailto:npsopdxchapter@gmail.com">npsopdxchapter@gmail.com</a>. You'll also find our monthly programs and additional field trips posted on our Meetup page: <a href="meetup.com/NPSO-Portland">meetup.com/NPSO-Portland/</a>. Our Facebook page is regularly updated with current wildflower bloom status and photos: <a href="mailto:facebook.com/npso.portland">facebook.com/npso.portland</a>. Visit our chapter website at <a href="mailto:portland-nativeplants.org">portland.nativeplants.org</a> for archived newsletters and to register for current programs. View recordings of past programs on our YouTube channel. Join one of our iNaturalist projects: <a href="mailto:inaturalist.org/projects/npsopdx-collective-annual-projects">inaturalist.org/projects/npsopdx-collective-annual-projects</a>. Follow us on Instagram: <a href="mailto:inaturalist.org/projects/npsopdx/">instagram.com/npsopdx/</a>.

Members will find links to register for our second Thursday Zoom presentations in each issue of the *Bulletin*, in *The Calochortus* newsletter, and on our social media channels. The Portland Chapter does not host Zoom Programs in July and August.

### <u>Siskiyou</u>

To sign up for the Siskiyou Chapter NPSO monthly eNews on a new platform: sign up

To view our YouTube Channel and watch past programs: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXFI2J9yp2AYmUzNz0jLlSw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXFI2J9yp2AYmUzNz0jLlSw</a>

To join a native plant google group forum: <u>Siskiyou-Chapter-NPSO-plant-talk@googlegroups.com</u>

To join our Facebook

page: http://www.facebook.com/SiskiyouChapterNativePlantSocietyOfOregon

Saturday, August 3, 9:30 am -12:00 pm Field Trip: Tunnel Creek Bog Plants

Trip Leaders: Sarah Malaby, Kerry Johnson, and Steve Sheehy

We will hike to Tunnel Creek to visit a bog area with dry land, creek, and bog plants.

Plants the group may see include *Drosera* sp., a rare *Carex* sp., and *Vaccinium* sp. to name just a few. Hiking is moderately difficult with some trip hazards. The ground is fairly level with deep holes and there will be downed slick logs and soft marshy moss mats. Water level varies so rubber boots or shoes that can get wet are recommended for this hike. Please come prepared: bring water and lunch. Meet at 9:30 am off Keno Access Road off Dead Indian Memorial Highway (from your side). Parking will be on a side road at coordinates 42.25237°, -122.21272°. Safety cones will mark the intersection. To register for this free hike: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/868786512847?">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/868786512847?</a> aff=oddtdtcreator

Thursday, September 19, 7:00 pm

Program: To be announced Speaker: To be announced

Location: Southern Oregon University, Science Building, Room 161, Ashland

This program will also be provided via Zoom for folks who cannot attend in person. To register for the zoom: <a href="https://bit.ly/npsotalks">https://bit.ly/npsotalks</a>.

#### **South Coast**

The South Coast Chapter covers Curry and Coos counties. Guests or members of other chapters are welcome at our events. To join our mailing list, please contact Andrea Burke at <a href="mailto:andreasueburke@gmail.com">andreasueburke@gmail.com</a>.

Visit our Facebook page at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/NPSOSouthCoastChapter">https://www.facebook.com/NPSOSouthCoastChapter</a>.

Saturday, August 10, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Chapter Meeting: In person

Location: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 2000 Jackson Street, Port

**Orford, OR 97465** 

The meeting will be followed by an optional brown bag lunch and walk at Port Orford Heads State Park. Walk is 2 miles with an early out mid-way for a 1-mile walk.

Contact: Gail Perrotti, sc president@npsoregon.org or 541-414-9777

#### Fall Plant Sale

Order on-line and pick up plants on Saturday, September 28th from 10:00 -2:00 at locations in Bandon and Gold Beach. The order period is now open.

Link to online order form: <a href="https://forms.gle/AxzrvsRxXfockP1X8">https://forms.gle/AxzrvsRxXfockP1X8</a>
Contact: Gail Perrotti, <a href="mailto:sc-president@npsoregon.org">sc-president@npsoregon.org</a> or 541-414-9777

### **Umpqua Valley**

Check out our Facebook page, <a href="https://www.facebook.com/UmpquaValleyNPSO">www.facebook.com/UmpquaValleyNPSO</a>. Not online? - call Donna Rawson at 541-643-0364.

### **Willamette Valley**

Monday, August 26, 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

Field Trip: Stahlman Point Trip Leader: John Savage

John Savage of the Willamette Valley Chapter of NPSO will lead a 4-mile roundtrip hike to Stahlman Point to check out the trees, nibble on a variety of berries, and view whatever flowers remain in bloom. We will start early and go slow. Bring water, snacks, lunch, and appropriate foot gear and clothing. Space is limited. Registration is required. To register and for more information, please contact John Savage at <a href="https://www.npso@gmail.com">wwnpso@gmail.com</a>

#### 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 <a href="mailto:susanmgeer@gmail.com">susanmgeer@gmail.com</a>. Our website is not currently functional.

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Filipendula

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