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## 911 For Threatened Plants

by Nadene Steinhoff

A well-intentioned hiker who wanders off the trail at Cascade Head to capture a scenic photo may unintentionally trample one of the last existing populations of the seabluft carnation, known to scientists as *Silene douglasii* var. *oraria*.

There are three remaining populations in the world—all in Oregon, where the flower is listed as “threatened.” They grow precipitously along the cliffs of Cascade Head, seven miles north of Lincoln City on the Oregon coast. The spectacular headland is a Nature Conservancy preserve and United Nations Biosphere Reserve.

Scientists hope to restore threatened plants in the Pacific Northwest.

They have reintroduced native plant species and helped repopulate vulnerable areas for years, but Willamette University Professor Susan Kephart is trying a new tack. Instead of planting annuals, the quick and easy way to repopulate coastal prairies, she coordinated the planting of nearly 1,000 perennial seeds and seedlings by students, local citizens and Earthwatch volunteers.

Her restoration and research findings were featured as the October cover story in *The American Journal of Botany* and have generated inquiries from around the world.

Kephart and Willamette student Diana Lofflin posed several critical questions: Can we successfully reintroduce rare plants? Do plants with a more diverse genetic background have higher survival rates than inbred plants? How can we best restore native populations?

“We found that continued inbreeding within a closely related group of plants is linked to poor seedling survival and affects the viability of future generations,” Kephart said.

Willamette University students

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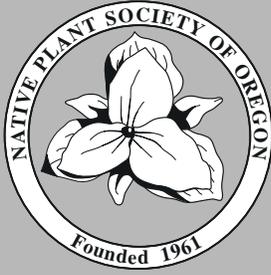
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### IT'S STILL RENEWAL TIME!

The NPSO membership year is January to December. Many of you have already renewed, but if you haven't yet, please do so before February 15, 2006 to ensure that you do not miss out on any of the *Bulletins* or on the 2006 issue of *Kalmiopsis*. Before you send in your renewal, it's a good idea to check the address label on this issue of the *Bulletin*. If it shows 2006 along the top, you are all set and don't need to renew until the end of 2006.

It's also a good time to consider a tax-deductible contribution to our special 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 Jean Davis Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to a botany student at an Oregon college or university. You can also include a contribution to the Oregon Flora Project along with your dues. Your membership and donations make it possible to carry out more of the many projects that are needed to pursue the goals of NPSO.



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TANYA HARVEY

*The beauty of plants isn't all in their flowers. There's an exquisite grace and mathematical perfection to this Epilobium seed capsule that has just burst open to launch its ethereal seeds onto the breeze. In contrast, its tiny pink flowers are fairly inconspicuous and unlikely to receive notice from anyone but a serious botanist.*

## State

### January 28, Saturday, 10 am

**Board Meeting:** The Corvallis chapter will host the winter board meeting from 10 am to 2 pm at 2087 Cordley Hall (coffee room), OSU, in Corvallis. Directions from I-5: take Highway 34 to the West, this will turn into Harrison as you come into town. Follow Harrison for roughly a mile and turn left on 30th, then make a left on Orchard. As you drive on Orchard to the right, there will be greenhouses followed immediately by Cordley Hall. Park on the street or in the parking lot in front of the greenhouses. Enter Cordley through the NW corner door that leads to the Herbarium, all other doors will be locked (signs will be posted). Go up one flight of stairs and head to the south end of the building to find the meeting.

## Blue Mountain

For information on the Blue Mountain Chapter call Jerry Baker at 541-566-2244.

## Cheahmill

### January 26, Thursday, 7 pm

**Meeting: Bloom of the Century.** Enjoy a photo journey through the deserts of southern California depicting the spectacular winter wildflower display of 2005. Dan Luoma and Joyce Eberhart share their experiences of what has been described as a "once in a life time" explosion of floristic exuberance. They will also discuss the possibility that such occurrences may become more common. Carnegie Room, McMinnville Library, 225 NW Adams St. More info? Susan Williams 503-538-1865 or helgesusan@comcast.net. Chapter website: [www.oregon-native-plants.com](http://www.oregon-native-plants.com).

## Corvallis

### January 9, Monday, 7:30 pm

**Meeting: *Albuca to Zaluzianskya*: a botanical introduction to the geophyte-rich western Karoo of South Africa,** a talk by Bob Meinke who recently returned from a trip to South Africa. Dr. Meinke is the Plant Conservation Biology Program Leader for the Oregon Dept. of Agriculture and a courtesy Professor at OSU. For more info contact John Syring at 541-752-0414.

### 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. For a sample copy check out the NPSO website. 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. National Forests require a Northwest Forest Pass for many 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.

### January 28, February 11 & 25, Saturdays, 10 am – 1 pm

#### Workshop Series: *Carex In Depth.*

Barb Wilson of the Carex Working Group will lead a series of three workshops on sedge identification. These are aimed at beginners and advanced students alike. Attend one or all. Please bring any dissecting equipment that you have. Workshops will be held in 1070 Cordley Hall, OSU campus, enter through northwest door by herbarium. Please leave a message with John Syring at 541-752-0414 so we can be sure to prepare enough hand-outs for everyone.

## Emerald

### January 22, Sunday, 10 am

**Field Trip: Winter Twig Walk at Mount Pisgah Arboretum** led by Rhoda Love. Bring the book, *Winter Twigs* by Gilkey and Packard, and a hand lens if you have them. Light refreshments will be served. Free for NPSO and Arboretum members. 10 am to noon. Meet at Arboretum Visitors' Center. For more information call the Arboretum at 541-747-3817.

### January 23, Monday, 7:30 pm

**Meeting: O, Pioneers!** Rhoda Love, will acquaint us with a special group of hardy pioneer botanists such as Lilla Leach, Almata Barrett, Helen Gilkey, William Cusick and Wilhelm Suksdorf, who searched the Northwest for new plants during the early settlement years. Rhoda's slides will include images of the latest maps from the Oregon Flora Project. Room 115, Science Building, Lane Community College, 4000 30th Ave. East, Eugene. Call 541-345-5531.

### February 27, Monday 7:30 pm

**Meeting: Little Shops of Horrors,** will feature Charlene Simpson's slides of the lures and traps of flesh-eating plants. Room 115, Science Building, Lane Community College, 4000 30th Ave. East, Eugene. Call 541-345-5531.

**March 27, Monday, 7:30 pm**

**Meeting: Trees, Travels and Waterfalls in Southern Brazil.** Alan Curtis is a forester with ongoing studies of forests in Latin America. Room 115, Science Building, Lane Community College, 4000 30th Ave. East, Eugene. For more info call 541-345-5531.

## High Desert

For information on the High Desert Chapter contact Berta Youtie at 541-447-8166.

## Klamath Basin

For information on the Klamath Basin Chapter, contact Sarah Malaby, 541-884-5703, smalaby@cs.com.

## Mid-Columbia

**January 4, Wednesday, 7:30 pm**

**Meeting: Winter Twigs and Spring-Time Video.** Bring in some twig samples and we will play around with keying them. We are only about 2 weeks away from spring flowers so we'll watch a video just to remind us of warm days and pretty blooms. Mike Igo Presenter. The *Dalles Chronicle* Meeting Room, 317 E 3rd, The Dalles.

## North Coast

Wanted, new members for our group, located in Tillamook County. Trips subject to suggestions. Please phone Janet Stahl 503-842-8708.

## Portland

**January 7, Saturday, 10:30 am**

**Field Trip: Balch Creek Canyon, Lower MacCleay Park.** Join Portland Chapter member John Halsell for an interpretative walk through the unique Balch Creek Canyon ecological area. Balch Creek Canyon is a hidden gem nestled close to downtown Portland, and offers the opportunity to see how our forests looked before Lewis and

Clark's arrival. New members, families and those wishing an introduction to our native forests are encouraged to join us. Restrooms available at the parking area. For further information, contact John at 503-816-6501. Leave at 10am, Gateway/NE 99th. Ave, Park and Ride, SE corner of parking lot; 2nd meeting place: at 10:30 am at Lower McCleay Park (at the end of Upshur Street and below the Thurman Street Bridge in Forest Park), meet at the picnic shelter next to parking area turn-around at Lower MacCleay Park.

**January 12, Thursday, 7 pm**

**Meeting: Member Slide Show.** Do you have some good photos of plants and botanical forays that you've taken over the past year (or so)? Come join us at our monthly meeting and share your pics with fellow plant enthusiasts! A slide projector and computer projector will be available, so that everyone can join in the fun. Bring your pictures as either slides or electronic files (CD or thumbdrive). Room #202, First United Methodist Church, 1938 SW Jefferson St., Portland. Located just uphill from the Goose Hollow MAX stop.



TANYA HARVEY

*Oregon sunshine, Eriophyllum lanatum, is a great plant for native gardens. Its cheery, bright yellow flowers attract butterflies and its silvery leaves provide year-round interest.*

## Siskiyou

**January 19, Thursday, 7:30 pm**

**Meeting: BLM Western Oregon Plan Revisions.** Currently, BLM is revising the six Resource Management Plans that guide the agency's actions on 2.5 million acres in western Oregon. Please join Jim McConnell, the BLM Medford District NEPA coordinator, as he leads a question/answer discussion on how these revisions could impact the management of rare and endangered plant species. Room 171 of the SOU Science Building, Ashland. Free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Celeste Coulter at 503-780-6360.

**February 16, Thursday, 7:30 pm**

**Meeting: Flora of Baja.** Come spend an evening exploring the rugged canyons and coastlines of the Baja peninsula with Lawrence Birch and Wendy Loren. For the last decade, Lawrence and Wendy have been photographing the extraordinary diversity and bizarre adaptations found in the plants that thrive in the harsh, arid landscape of Baja. Founder of Giving Tree Farm Herb Company in Eugene, Lawrence is joined by Wendy, LMT and Health Educator. Both are Certified Clinical Herbalists and Wildcrafters with a grand passion for the flora of the desert. Room 171 of the SOU Science Building, Ashland. Free and open to the public. For more information, contact Celeste Coulter, 503-780-6360.

## Umpqua Valley

**January 7, Saturday, 8:30 am**

**Field Trip: Collecting Native Plants.** Roll up your sleeves and join the chapter as we collect native plants on Ron Hatt's property in Myrtle Creek. These plants will be used in the native garden we are building at the Roseburg VA. Bring tools, gloves, boots and empty pots. Meet at the parking lot behind Douglas County Courthouse, 1036 SE Douglas Ave., Roseburg. For information call Ron Hatt at 541-863-7024.

### January 12, Thursday, 7 pm

**Meeting: Chapter Field Trips.** Ron Hatt, chapter president, will present slides depicting the highlights of our 2005 field trips. Meeting to follow, including a planning session on the development of the native plant garden at the VA. Mercy Education Bldg., 2459 Stewart Parkway, Roseburg. For information call Ron Hatt at 541-863-7024.

### January 28, Saturday, 8:30 am

**Field Trip: Beatty Creek RNA.** The flowers were just starting to bloom at this time last year. Beatty Creek, tucked away on the north slope of Cow Creek, is a wonderful place to view many different Saxifrages. We will try to see them all this year. Meet at the parking lot behind the Douglas County Courthouse, 1036 SE Douglas Ave., Roseburg or at the Tri City McDonalds, Exit 103 at 9 am. For information call Sam Friedman 541-673-0589.

## Willamette Valley

### January 19, Thursday, 7 pm

**Program: Pollinator Conservation—Saving the World One Bee at a Time.** Insects and other invertebrates play many important roles in our lives, including the essential one of pollination. Our native bees are one of the most important groups of pollinators, and like all wildlife, they are affected by changes in our landscapes. Matthew Shepherd, Director of the Pollinator Conservation Program, The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation, will explain what these vital creatures need and what we can do to make the landscape around us—from small urban backyards to large natural areas—better for bees. Shepherd's work includes outreach to local communities and gardeners, technical assistance to farmers and land managers, production of information materials and advocacy. He is also lead author of the *Pollinator Conservation Handbook*. Straub Environmental Learning Center, 1320 A Street NE, Salem (right next to Olinger Pool, near North Salem High School). Free and open to the public. For more information, please call 503-399-8615.

### January 21, Saturday, 9 am

**Workshop: Landscaping with Native Plants.** Here's an excellent opportunity to learn how to use natives in your backyard from the people who know. Workshop topics include site planning and preparation, finding the right plant for the right space, managing weeds and proper maintenance of a native plant garden. The four-hour, in-depth workshop will be held in the West Salem High School common area, 1776 Titan Ave. NW and is jointly sponsored by the Marion Soil and Water Conservation District, Polk Soil and Water Conservation District, Willamette Chapter of NPSO, Friends of the Straub Environmental Learning Center, City of Salem and Marion County Public Works. To register, please call 503-391-9927 by January 12. Free and open to the public.

## William Cusick

For information on the William Cusick Chapter call Frazier Nichol at 541-963-7870.

## Grant Proposals Requested

**NPSO** will continue to sponsor small field research grants. The objectives of the program are: 1) to stimulate basic field research into the biology and distribution of Oregon's native and naturalized flora and vegetation, particularly in the more remote areas of the state, and 2) to promote native plant conservation through better understanding of Oregon's flora and vegetation and the factors affecting their survival.

### For a copy of the program policy and guidelines contact

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or visit NPSO's web site, [www.npsoregon.org/comm/FRGC.htm](http://www.npsoregon.org/comm/FRGC.htm). Research proposals are due by March 1, 2006.



*While this beautiful bumblebee, *Bombus* sp., explores the small disc flowers of Balsamorhiza deltoidea, it helps the plant by pollinating it. To learn more about the important relationship bees have with our native plants, attend the Willamette Valley chapter's January talk.*

TANYA HARVEY



## 911 For Threatened Plants

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and Earthwatch Institute volunteers from around the world helped Kephart and Lofflin compare seedling establishment of the rare coastal plant with its more widespread relatives in the Cascade Mountains.

“The seabluff carnation is one of many species scattered across fragmented habitats in isolated, at-risk plant communities, and may be losing the genetic diversity that would help it cope with future threats,” Kephart said. “It is affected by coastal development, trampling, damage from seed predators and browsing deer. Climate change may pose another yet-unstudied threat.”



SUSAN KEPHART

*Bagging techniques used to distinguish cross-pollinated from self-pollinated flowers.*



SUSAN KEPHART

*A coastal prairie and United Nations Biosphere Reserve north of Lincoln City, on Cascade Head*

The good news is that Kephart’s research shows that it is possible to reintroduce rare plants, even on grazed areas.

“But the plants with a more diverse genetic background have a better chance of survival than inbred progeny,” Kephart said. “It’s the same idea as not marrying your cousin. Lethal genes in a family lineage can hide in individuals, but they can come together in offspring, leading to stunting or death.”

Kephart’s research shows that inbred offspring are, in fact, stunted and have yellowed leaves, while outbred plants are larger and put forth more abundant flowers.

She has studied native plant populations at Cascade Head for more than 20 years; the current reintroduction project began in 1998.

Kephart and her students would like to see self-sustaining seabluff carnation populations restored to their historical habitat, along with continued protection of native grasslands.

“Oregon’s headlands were once mostly native flower prairies,” Kephart said. “Although reintroduction is a relatively recent and potentially important restoration tool, its benefits are still uncertain since much research remains to be done.”

## Photographic Atlas of Botany Available

**D**r. James L. Castner, biologist and professional photographer, has combined his teaching experience with his photographic skills to create the *Photographic Atlas Of Botany And Guide To Plant Identification*, a learning aid created especially with botany students in mind. Designed specifically for college students of General Botany and Plant Taxonomy classes, it is also extremely useful to Master Gardeners, field biologists, and interested laymen. All photos were taken to serve as illustrations in this particular text and were not borrowed from past publications.

There are over 2000 color photos that illustrate the structural characters and anatomical features of the major plant families and taxonomic groups discussed in botany courses. In addition to photographic coverage of approximately 150 plant families from the Angiosperms, Gymnosperms, and Ferns & Fern Allies; explanations and illustrations of external and microscopic anatomy are also provided. The Anatomy section discusses and illustrates Roots, Stems, Leaves, Flowers, and Fruit. In addition, there is a glossary of specialized terms that are used throughout the book. More information and other titles can be found at [www.felinepress.com](http://www.felinepress.com) or contact Dr. Castner at 352-371-6439.

## Native Plant Gardener Needed

**B**uckman Elementary School in southeast Portland would like to develop a native plant garden on the school grounds. We would like to work with a local native plant gardener in planning and planting the garden. Contact Tim Hahn at 503-319-7414 if you are interested in helping with this project.

## NPSO Items for Sale

**The Atlas of Oregon Carex** was NPSO's first Occasional Paper. The Atlas has 128 location maps, one for each Carex taxon in the state of Oregon. Also included are a synonymy, fun facts about sedges, a history of the project, and Oregon geography maps. **Price: \$5.**

**Louis F. Henderson (1853-1942): The Grand Old Man of Northwest Botany** by Rhoda M. Love. NPSO's second Occasional Paper is the only existing publication with detailed coverage of the long and fascinating life of this John Muir-like western character. Included: 56 pictures, 133 notes, chronology, list of plants named for Henderson. Fourth printing, February, 2004. **Price \$10.**

To order either or both Occasional Papers, send check for the appropriate amount (made payable to NPSO) to:  
**Occasional Papers, Native Plant Society of Oregon, PO Box 902, Eugene, OR 97440-0902.**

**NPSO Membership Directory** lists names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail address of NPSO members (April 2005). Available from Jan Dobak, 2921 NE 25th Avenue, Portland, OR 97212-3460. **\$3 postpaid.**

**Vascular Plants of Lane County, Oregon: An Annotated Checklist** Emerald Chapter, NPSO. More than 1,740 species and varieties representing 39% of the 4,460 plants currently recognized by the Oregon Flora Project are listed with information on habitat, ecoregion, occurrence frequency, and native or non-native origin for every species. To order, send **\$15** payable to Emerald Chapter, NPSO to Lane County Checklist, Emerald Chapter, NPSO, PO Box 902, Eugene, OR 97440-0902.

**Oregon's Rare Wildflower Poster** depicts Punchbowl Falls and three of the Columbia River Gorge's endemic wildflowers. Stu Garrett, 21663 Paloma Drive, Bend, OR 97701, 541-389-6981. **\$12 each**, plus \$3 shipping per order. Posters are mailed in tubes.

**NEW Salal T-shirt.** Attractive forest green t-shirts with botanical drawing of *Gaultheria shallon* in cream-colored ink by Carlton, OR artist and Cheahmill Chapter member, Marilyn Karbonski. High quality t-shirts, S-XL, short sleeve **\$15 plus \$5 shipping**. To order, call Jennie Sue Dunn-Dixon at 503-472-1745.

**"Land of Umpqua" T-Shirt** featured at the 2005 Annual Meeting is available again through the Umpqua Chapter. It depicts the delightful *Calochortus umpquaensis* illustrated by Dorthony Schattenkerk and in cream, purple, yellow, and green. Arched over the top in black letters are the words "Land of Umpqua", and underneath it says, "Native Plant Society of Oregon." The shirts are **\$16 plus \$5 shipping** and come in light gray, beige, pink or light blue in sizes M, L, and XL. To order call Ron Hatt at 541-863-7024.



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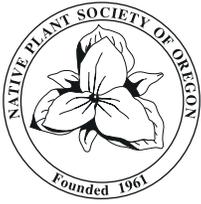
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As this goes to press, we have received \$9931 in contributions to help the Oregon Flora Project. Thank you for your support! Our last fundraiser, which was a challenge drive from November 2004 to January 2005, raised \$65,597. Those dollars were put to good work, and made progress on many fronts possible in 2005.

This year's fundraiser is different—rather than seeking funds to match a donated amount, we are challenging you to support us as we step up to accomplish our overarching goal of writing the *Flora of Oregon*. We are in an ideal position to accomplish this: the *Checklist* is approaching completion, the morphology database structure is established, and all Oregon herbarium specimens have been databased. The missing piece?—the financial resources to pay our staff to do the work!

[www.oregonflora.org](http://www.oregonflora.org)

Help keep the Oregon Flora Project moving forward and providing the public with accurate and comprehensive information on our state's plants. Please give generously—your donations are wisely used and greatly appreciated! All donations are tax-deductible.

Make your check payable to either NPSO or the OSU Foundation, noting on it "Oregon Flora Project."  
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