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Glide Wildflower Show Kicks Off Native Plant Appreciation Week

by Nancy Tague

In southern Oregon, different habitats and geology crowd together, resulting in a huge diversity of wildflowers. From delicate lilies of the moist west-side forests to exotic carnivorous plants of the serpentine Siskiyou Range, natural gardens dotted across the region delight casual visitors and serious botanists.

April 23–24, you can find this abundance in one location at the Glide Wildflower Show, the largest showcase of native flora in the Pacific Northwest. During the previous week, teams of collectors will fan out across southern Oregon, from the Cascades to the coast, from the Willamette Valley to the California border, bringing back examples of every spring-blooming wildflower from these diverse habitats. Over 600 species of wildflowers, shrubs, trees, mosses, lichens and ferns will be on display.

Appropriately coinciding this year with the start of Native Plant Appreciation Week, the Glide Wildflower Show is the last full weekend of April each year, produced by a non-profit organization dedicated to educating the public about the value of native plants. Twenty minutes from Roseburg on Highway 138, the Glide Community Center (20062 North Umpqua Highway) hosts the wildflower show.

Artfully vased flowers are grouped by scientific family and labeled with common and scientific names. Botanists key out the identifications. Beside the names, the labels also reproduce Oregon Flora Project (OFP) maps showing where in Oregon the plant has been found, hinting at habitat — west-side forest, coast, alpine — and how widespread or localized the species is.

The flower displays offer many opportunities to learn and enjoy. Compare similar species side by side

to understand their differences. Study all the members of a family to better learn their common characteristics. Encounter uncommon species and ones that don't grow in your region. Delight in the close-up beauty of hundreds of blooms, without ever having to kneel on the ground!

Knowledgeable speakers give talks throughout both days of the show. Topics this year include fungi and forest health, 500 years of wildfire management on the Umpqua, edible and medicinal plants, and the relationship between pollinators and native plants. You can also talk with experts staffing special displays about noxious weeds, edible and medicinal plants, spinning, beekeeping, OFP, and NPSO. On the walls of the room, view photographs of rare and endangered plants that can't be collected for the show. Native plants

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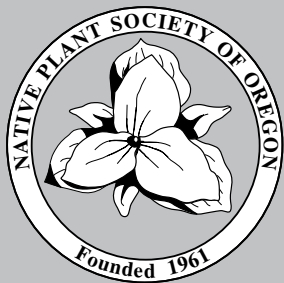


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Visitors enjoying over 700 species of flora at the 2015 show.

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NPSO 2016 Annual Meeting Registration is Now Open

Registration is now open for the 2016 Annual Meeting to be held at the McKenzie River Conference Center, July 15–17.

Registration and liability waiver forms were enclosed in the March *Bulletin*. Printable forms can be accessed via the Annual Meeting website, emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg. Information that you will need to complete the forms can be found in recent *Bulletins* and on the website.

The Emerald Chapter encourages you to register early. Deadline for registration, staying at the facility, going on field trips, and attending the Saturday banquet is June 15. The registration fee increases from \$25 to \$40 on May 1.

The Annual Meeting is for NPSO members only. New members are always welcome. If you need to renew a lapsed membership or join NPSO, use the membership form in the NPSO *Bulletin* or visit the NPSO website, npsoregon.org/membership.html.

The registration form can be used for one or two persons. Before filling out the registration form, carefully read venue, meals, and field trip information. To go on any field trip, eat meals, or stay at the facility, you must register for the meeting. If you stay at the facility the rate is for two nights (required), regardless of occupancy. Please don't forget to read and sign the liability form. Send the completed forms plus your full payment to:

Michael Hartman, Registrar
NPSO Emerald Chapter
2878 Firwood Way
Eugene, OR 97401

Make check(s) or money order(s) to "NPSO Emerald Chapter." We'll confirm via email or phone (if no email). Direct all questions to the Registrar: hartmanium@mac.com. If you must cancel your registration, please notify the Registrar. No refunds will be issued after June 15.



Ethical Guidelines Updated and Online

The newly updated version of the "NPSO Ethical Guidelines for Collecting, Growing, and Displaying Native Plants" is now available online at npsoregon.org/documents/ethics.pdf.

The Native Plant Society of Oregon is "dedicated to the enjoyment, conservation, and study of Oregon's native plants and habitats." These activities often involve collecting plants for research or educational purposes (e.g., field trips, display in wildflower shows) and for growing native plants in gardens. The new guidelines describe how to responsibly and ethically use our native plant species for these purposes. They acknowledge that the first rule of all ethical behavior is to "do no harm."

Among other things, the new guidelines provide links to websites for reporting sightings of rare or invasive plants and reading state and federal rules for collecting plants. The section on gardening offers tips for selecting plants for your landscape and what to watch for when purchasing natives from nurseries. For those arranging wildflower shows and native plant sales, there is advice for public education on the value of native plants and for building a constituency that supports our goals of enjoying, studying, and conserving native plants and their habitats.

NPSO CALENDAR

State Notes

NPSO State Board Meeting

April 23, Saturday, 10 am-2 pm

Umpqua Valley Chapter will host our spring meeting. Location: Douglas County Natural History Museum, 123 Museum Dr., Roseburg.

NPSO Annual Meeting 2016

July 15-17, Friday-Sunday

Emerald Chapter will host the 2016 NPSO Annual Meeting on a private forested 46 acre property near the majestic McKenzie River, a fifty minute drive from Eugene. Location: McKenzie River Conference Center, Rainbow, Oregon. For the most current information, visit the annual meeting website, emerald.npsoregon.org/2016mtg.

Blue Mountain

For information on Blue Mountain Chapter call Jerry Baker, 541-566-2244. To get on our email list, contact flora.id@witechlink.us.

April 20, Wednesday, 7 pm

Meeting: Details TBA. Join us for a presentation by Matthew Campbell. Location: theater room of the Prodigal Son Brewery and Pub, 230 SE Court Ave. in Pendleton. Contact Bruce Barnes, 541-377-2634 for details.

May 7, Saturday, 9 am-noon

Field Trip: Iskulpa Creek Overlook. Iskulpa Creek overlook is just beyond the crest of Cabbage Hill, about a 20 minute drive. We'll also make stops at a couple other spots on the way back, returning by noon. Location: meet at the County Health Clinic parking lot (south side), across from the Prodigal Son, to carpool. For information call Bruce Barnes 541-276-5547.

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.

April 28, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Botanical Art through History and Today. Botanical artist Janet Parker will answer such questions as: Why did the accurate depiction of plant forms disappear for hundreds of years? What botanical artist had a thriving career in the court of Louis XVI? She will

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>

have her own botanical art on display and offer cards for sale by the Oregon Botanical Artists. Doors open at 6:45 pm for socializing, Meeting/Program starts at 7:00 pm. Location: Carnegie Room, McMinnville Public Library, 225 NW Adams St. (corner of Hwy 99W and SW 2nd St.). Parking lot entrances on Adams and 2nd Streets. For more information contact Lisa Blackburn, 503-538-3976 or blackburn-lisag@gmail.com.

Save the Date!

May 28, Saturday, 10 am-3 pm

Wildflower Show and Native Plant Sale.

Corvallis

For questions, information on upcoming events, or to be on the Corvallis chapter e-mail list, contact Jordan Brown at co_president@NPSOOregon.org or 253-820-3934.

April 10, Sunday, 1-4 pm

Work Party: Avery House Native Plant Garden. Come and help with a spring clean-up in the native plant garden. Bring gloves, raingear, shovel and clippers, and we shall share a snack. Contact Esther McEvoy at 541-754-0893 for more information.

April 11, Monday, 7:30 pm

Meeting/Presentation: Plants of Northeastern Oregon. Phil Hays visited the Wallowas, Zumwalt Prairie, and Hells Canyon and will share his photos with us. Location: Avery House in Avery Park. For more information contact Esther McEvoy at 541-754-0893 or estherco@peak.org.

April 24, Sunday, 9 am

Field Trip: Lower North Ridge Trail. Hike the lower trail and see the early woodland wildflowers like trillium, spring beauty, violets and much more. Wear good hiking boots, come prepared for rain and mud, and bring a lunch. We should be back by early to mid-afternoon. It is about a five mile hike round trip. Location: Meet at the

parking lot across and to the west of the Monroe Beanery, behind Wilkinson Hall. Contact Esther McEvoy for more information at 541-754-0893.

May 9, Monday, 7:30 pm

Meeting/Program: Blackberries in the Willamette Valley. Blackberries were introduced into the Pacific Northwest for cultivation and have since spread throughout the Willamette Valley. These invasive non-natives are challenging the habitat of our native endemic species. Kim Hummer of the National Germplasm Repository will talk about the ecological challenge, genetics, and diseases of these alien invaders. Location: Avery House in Avery Park. For more information contact Esther McEvoy at 541-754-0893 or estherco@peak.org.

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.

Meeting Location: Conference Room at Lane County Mental Health, 2411 Martin Luther King Blvd. Turn off MLK Blvd. onto Scout Access Rd. across from Autzen and take the first left into the parking lot. The meeting room is on the right side as you face the building.

April 14, Thursday, 6-8 pm

Field Trip: Zumwalt Park, Fern Ridge Reservoir. Ed Alverson and members of Friends of Zumwalt Park will lead an evening tour of Zumwalt Park, a 74 acre Lane County Park located along the southern part of Fern Ridge Reservoir. We will explore the park's remnant prairie flora as well as younger conifer forest, and develop a plant list for the park. Location: Meet at 6 pm in front of the Lowe's store on the NE corner of 11th Ave. and Bailey Hill Rd. Contact Ed Alverson, 541-461-1958, for more information.

April 21, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Pollination Biology of Mushroom-Mimicking *Dracula* Orchids. Tobias Policha will share his

dissertation work on the pollination biology of *Dracula* orchids, which grow in the cloud forests of Ecuador. *Dracula* orchids look and smell like mushrooms and are pollinated by mushroom associated flies, making this a remarkable example of mimicry across kingdoms. Inherently ecological, with interactions bridging the three kingdoms of plants, fungi, and the animal pollinators, this system explores networks of biodiversity across scales, from volatile chemistry to behavior. Location: Conference Room at Lane County Mental Health. See above for directions. For more information call 541-521-3964.

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.

April 24, Sunday, 10 am-about 1 pm

Field Trip: Cape Falcon. Celebrate Native Plant Appreciation Week with a wildflower hike at Cape Falcon in Oswald West State Park. Hike through dense, old growth conifer forest, along creeks and meadows, to basalt and sandstone cliffs overlooking the ocean. Views overlook Short Sand Beach, Tillamook Head and Cape Lookout. Wildflowers include *Erythronium revolutum*, *Satureja douglasii*, *Kopsiopsis hookeri* (*Boschniakia*), *Poa unilateralis* (ESA threatened), *Artemisia suksdorfii*, *Moneses uniflora*, and *Erigeron glaucus*. Expect a gentle elevation gain of 300 ft. Location: meet at the large Oswald West State Park parking lot on the east side of Highway 101. Contact Carla Cole, colectarla@yahoo.com, to register and if interested in carpooling.

Save the Date!

May 21, Saturday, 10 am-3 pm

BioBlitz: Lewis and Clark National Historical Park. Limited to 12 participants. Contact Carla Cole, colectarla@yahoo.com, to find out how to register.

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.

April 22-24, Friday-Sunday

Field Trip: Glide Wildflower Show. Chapter VP Susan Berger will be attending the show and is willing to lead folks to some wildflower hot spots on Friday or Saturday afternoon. Contact the chapter if you'd like to attend.

April 25, Monday, 4:30-6 pm

Open House Tour: Wintercreek Restoration & Native Plant Nursery. Wintercreek specializes in the cultivation of central Oregon native plant and wildflower species. Bring a brown bag dinner to enjoy on the scenic grounds of the nursery.

April 30, Saturday

Field Trip: Ochoco Scablands. Join Jill Welborn, botanist with the Ochoco National Forest, for a field trip featuring native plants of the Ochoco scablands. These unique, shallow-soiled shrub lands sport an array of spring wildflowers and provide habitat for rare endemic plants such as Henderson's needlegrass and Ochoco lomatium. Visit the chapter website for more details.

Klamath Basin

For information on the Klamath Basin Chapter, visit <http://klamathbasinnps.com> or contact the chapter president, Kim Elliott, kb_president@NPSOregon.org. 252.

Mid-Columbia

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

April 24, Sunday, 10 am

Program: Celebration of Life for Jerry Igo. Join us for a noon potluck, slide show, and Jerry's NPSO videos among other displays. Location: Mosier Grange. For more information, contact Billy Don Robinson, bdmeme@gmail.com.

April 29, Friday, 6-8 pm

Program: Wild About Nature. We will be participating with our sister Mid-Columbia Chapter, Suksdorfia WNPS. Robert Michael Pyle presents native plant journaling. Location: White Salmon Library, 77 NE Wauna Ave., White Salmon, Wash. For more information, contact Billy Don Robinson, bdmeme@gmail.com.

Portland

If you would like to receive the chapter's semi-official e-mail newsletter, The Calochortus, e-mail 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 pm. Beginning in January 2016 the Portland Chapter will have a **NEW MEETING PLACE:** TaborSpace at Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, 5441 SE Belmont St., Portland. We will meet in Muir Hall; enter the church through the main door off of Belmont between SE 54th and 55th, turn left and the room will be on your right. Parking is available in the church lot on the NW corner of SE 54th and Belmont.

***Denotes events for Native Plant Appreciation Week, more info available at npawpdx.org.**

April 14, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: The Kalapuya, Their Story and Use of Native Plants. Follow the original inhabitants of the Willamette and Tualatin Valleys through their history, life-styles, and interactions with more recent Americans up to the current day at Grand Ronde. Their copious use of native plants was innovative and provided them with a generous living. Ginny Maffitt, volunteer botanist and naturalist at the Tualatin River and Wapato Lake National Wildlife Refuges, will present the program. Meeting location: TaborSpace, Mt. Tabor

Presbyterian Church, SE 54th and Belmont, see above for details. Contact: Mary at alphiesmith@comcast.net or 503-288-4340.

April 16, Saturday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Field Trip: Memaloose Hills. Wild-flower 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 boasts a pioneer road, basalt formations, and views of the Columbia River, Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams. Located just east of the town of Mosier, this hike was a favorite of Russ Jolley. 140 miles round-trip drive. Contact Beth Magnus to sign up and get carpooling info: 503-706-5108, magnuselisabeth@gmail.com.

April 23, Saturday, 8 am-5:30 pm

Field Trip: Sevenmile Hill. We hope to be on time for masses of blooming balsamroot, lupine, and paintbrush. This area was hit by wildfire in 2014 so we will investigate the effects of this fire on the plants and animals. Moderately difficult cross country, 4 mile hike on steep slopes, 1200 ft. gain. Expect to see: chocolate lilies, Hood River milkvetch, several desert parsleys, sticky-stem penstemon, and about 100 other species. Contact Paul Slichter, 503-661-292 or pslichter@frontier.com, for meeting times and places or for more info.

April 23, Saturday, 10 am-5 pm

Field Trip: Sauvie Island Restoration at Lost Lagoon Farm. Jane Hartline, Sauvie Island habitat partnership director and her gardener husband Mark have spent the last decade transforming a 3-acre pasture into a sanctuary for plants native to Sauvie Island, birds and other wildlife. Lost Lagoon pond is now surrounded by native ecosystems, including a cottonwood forest, an ash-willow swale and a young oak savannah. 137 bird species have been documented as well as red-legged frogs, beavers, western painted turtles, and two species of salamanders. For more information and directions, see npawpdx.org or contact Willow Elliott, 503-358-5848 or salixsky@hotmail.com.

***April 24, Sunday, 9 am-4 pm**

Field Class: Native Plant Keying Workshop. This one-day class with Brent Miller at the Johnson Creek Watershed Council will teach you how to use a key to identify live or pressed plants. The first part of the day will be interactive, with plants in a classroom, learning how to read a key and getting familiar with basic technical vocabulary. Later, you'll take your knowledge into the field, keying out plants in their native habitats. Fee: \$10 to cover materials. Please sign up via chapmannj@comcast.net by April 18 to assure that we have enough attendees and to get directions.

***April 27, Wednesday, 5:30 pm**

Field Trip: Canemah Bluff Natural Area. Metro's Canemah Bluff Natural Area is off US 99E, south of downtown Oregon City. It features restored meadows with camas, *Brodiaea* (cluster-lilies), rosy plecritis, and woods with Oregon white oak and Pacific madrone. Metro's science team has removed invasive plants and strategically thinned trees to recover the oak habitat. Location: 814 NE 4th Ave., Oregon City. Contact jason.clinch@gmail.com to sign up and for directions.

***April 29, Friday, 1-3 pm**

Tour: Metro Native Plant Center. Join Metro's native plant materials scientist for a guided tour of the Native Plant Center (NPC). The NPC provides rare and uncommon plant materials to habitat restoration projects throughout the metro region. The NPC is a unique place where wild seeds and seeds harvested from NPC beds are processed and propagated. Location: 2661 SW Borland Rd., Tualatin.

***April 30, Saturday, 10 am-3 pm**

Field Trip: Sandy Canyon. Join NPSO's Ginny Maffitt for a round-trip hike of 4.3 miles on a gradual slope downhill. It will be mostly in the boundaries of Nature Conservancy land, beginning on the cliffs above the Sandy River near Troutdale. We'll pass wildflowers (*Penstemon*, *Sedum*, paintbrush, etc.) on sandstone cliffs, then go through woodlands and rain forest.

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Chapter Events, *cont'd*

Many birds may be heard and banana slugs and critters found. We'll lunch along the Sandy River on moss-covered boulders. Contact Ginny Maffitt, mafitt6540@comcast.net, for car-pool site and departure time.

May 1, Sunday, 1-2 pm

Workshop: Urban Native Plants and Their Pollinators. Colleen Lockovich, a local landscape designer with a focus on native plants, will lead a workshop focusing on realistic native plant material for a typical Portland home. She will touch on plant selection (the right plant for the right space), the realities of plant placement (grouping for a bigger impact and accessibility for the insects and birds), and the role of natives in feeding our native pollinators. Location: Garden Fever, 3433 NE 24th Ave., Portland.

May 1, Sunday, morning

Field Trip: The Great Camas Scotch Broom Pull. We have made excellent progress controlling Scotch broom on this piece of property near Carson, Wash. that Russ Jolley loved and cared for. At this work party we will eliminate new sprouts and remove plants we might have missed last time. We'll have saws and loppers. It may be helpful but not necessary for to bring yours also. Please do bring gloves and clippers. We will work from about 9:30 to 11:30, followed by a quick lunch, and, for those who want, a hike at nearby Lost Creek (see below). Please contact Roger Brewer, rogerbrewer@comcast.net, for carpool information.

May 1, Sunday, afternoon

Field Trip: Giant Trees of Lost Creek. The price of admission to this hike is a morning stint of Scotch broom pulling at the Great Camas Patch (see above). Hike underneath the ancient Douglas fir and western red-cedar trees of Lost Creek that Russ Jolley helped save from a timber sale. Expect to walk a fairly easy 1.5-mile loop, crossing streams on logs and climbing over or around fallen trees. Location: 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.

Save the Date!

May 12, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: New Wildflower Hikes in Oregon.

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 2016, 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.

April 9, Saturday, 10 am

Wildflower Hike: Rough & Ready Botanical Wayside. Geared for plant enthusiasts and novices alike, this is a short hike on rocky, but relatively level ground, with lots of beautiful wildflowers, many rare or of limited range. A portion of the hike will be along a wheelchair accessible path. We will also discuss issues that affect the Wayside and its rare wildflowers, such as the invasive yellow tuft alyssum. Bring water, lunch if you like, and wear layers and comfortable shoes. Sponsored by Cultural & Ecological Enhancement Network and NPSO. Location: meet at the parking area at Rough & Ready Botanical Wayside south of Cave Junction, Hwy 199 at mile marker 34. For more information call Suzanne at 541-291- 8860.

April 21, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Osborne Photos of the Siskiyou Mountains. Luke Ruediger will explore the Osborne photos taken from regional fire lookouts in the 1930s, before the landscape was impacted by large-scale road building, industrial logging, or fire suppression. Using these photos, Luke will examine landscape pattern changes in the Siskiyou Mountains of southwestern Oregon over time. Luke is a local naturalist,

environmental activist, blogger, forest restoration ecologist, and author of *The Siskiyou Crest: Hikes, History and Ecology*. 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.

May 5, Thursday, 4:30-7 pm

Walk: Wagner Creek Loop Plant Appreciation. Join Jeanine Moy, Adopt a Botanical Area coordinator, and Kristi Mergenthaler, Siskiyou Chapter NPSO president, for a woody shrub and tree identification easy walk along the Wagner Creek Loop above Talent. We'll see some lovely non-woody flowering plants too. This shady older riparian forest can be cool so bring layers. Carpool leaves from Ray's Market in Talent at 4:30 pm. For more info contact Jeanine at 541-488-5789.

May 7, Saturday, 9-11 am

Field Trip: Plant Oregon Nursery. Steve Siewert from Plant Oregon will give a tour and discussion of this 40 acre nursery specializing in native and PNW adapted trees, shrubs, and plants. Plant Oregon has been involved in many riparian restoration projects along the Rogue and Applegate rivers as well as a variety of landscape remediation projects. Location: 8677 Wagner Creek Road, Talent. For more information contact Julie Spelletich, 541-951-1744 or jspelletich@gmail.com.

South Coast

This is a newly formed chapter. For more information, contact the chapter president, Alexis Brickner, sc_president@NPSOOregon.org.

Save the Date!

June 11, Saturday

Field Trip: Proposed Veva Stansell Botanical Area. Limited to 12 participants. Contact Alexis Brickner, sc_president@npsoregon.org, or Al Collinet, dewbobal@charter.net, to RSVP.

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.

Willamette Valley

For program information, contact John Savage at 503-399-8615 or Alexandra Ninneman at 503-391-4145.

April 14, Thursday, 6 pm

Field Trip: Bush Park Wildflower Walk. John Savage of the Willamette Valley Chapter will lead a walk to view dozens of wildflowers in Bush Park and Deepwood Estate. Location: meet at the bottom of the Soapbox Derby track in Bush Park. Free and open to the public. For more information, call 503-399-8615 after 7 pm.

April 17, Sunday, 9:30 am-noon

Field Trip: Illahe Rare Bulbs Nursery. Tour the nursery with owner Mark Akimoff, who is also an environmental technician with the City of Keizer. Illahe Rare Bulbs specializes in hardy bulbs from around the world. The gardens include *Fritillaria*, *Calochortus*, *Brodiaea*, and *Triteleia* species from Oregon and Northern California. The tour, co-hosted by the Willamette Valley Chapter NPSO and the David Douglas Society, is free and open to the public. Space is limited to the first 30 registrants. Location: we will carpool from the Straub Environmental Learning Center parking lot (1320 A Street NE, next to Olinger Pool). For more information and to register, call John Savage after 7 pm at 503-399-8615.

April 28, Thursday, 7 pm

Program: Douglas Fir National Monument. Stephen Sharnoff, botanical photographer and research associate at the Jepson Herbarium in Berkeley, will discuss efforts to establish a Douglas Fir National Monument in the upper Santiam River Watershed. The proposed monument would cover 760 square miles and include significant stands of old-growth forest. Sharnoff wrote and illustrated *A Field Guide to California Lichens* and is nearing completion of a new photographic guide to the wildflowers of the Sierra Nevada. Free

lecture and open to the public. Location: the Straub Environmental Learning, 1320 A Street NE, next to Olinger Pool.

April 30, Saturday, 9 am-3 pm

Class and Field Trip: Wildflowers of the Willamette Valley and Cascades. Aislinn Adams and John Savage of the Willamette Valley Chapter will show slides of area wildflowers. A field trip will follow the morning presentation. The program, co-sponsored by the Willamette Valley Chapter and the Straub Environmental Learning Center, is open to the public. Location: the class will be at 1320 A St. NE, (next to Olinger Pool, near North Salem High). Cost is \$10. Bring lunch and beverage. Registration is required. For more information and to register, call 503-391-4145.

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.

April, Date TBD

Volunteer: Butterfly Garden. Volunteers are needed to help with site prep for a butterfly garden on Blue Mountain Conservancy land sometime in April. Contact Sue Miller, sue@bluemountainsconservancy.org or 541-786-2665.

April 9, Saturday

Volunteer: Gangloff Park. Volunteers are needed to help build a split rail fence to protect native plantings and other small projects at Gangloff Park. We are planning for April 9, with a rain date of April 16. Contact Susan Geer, susanmgeer@gmail.com or 541-963-0477.

Native Plant Appreciation Week is April 24-30

This year's Native Plant Appreciation Week poster, designed by Susan Berger, features *Arnica cordifolia*, photographed by Kent Coe. Start your appreciation with a trip to the Glide Wildflower Show, then continue with a hike at Cape Falcon, a native plant center tour, a botanical art talk, a celebration of Jerry Igo's life, a wildflower class, and more. Events are listed in this *Bulletin* and, for the Portland area, online at npawpdx.org.

Extend your appreciation throughout the spring by admiring them at more wildflower shows and buying them at native plant sales. For a statewide list of these events, hosted by various non-profits, visit npsoregon.org/wildflowers.html.



Glide Wildflower Show, *cont'd*

will be for sale, and in the bookstore you can review an assortment of field guides and other natural science books for adults and children and pick up something to fill out your collection.

Once you've taken in the whole show, head east to encounter wildflowers in their natural environment. At Glide, Highway 138 becomes the Rogue-Umpqua National Scenic Byway, with spectacular vistas of the emerald-green and foaming-white North Umpqua River. World-famous for fly-fishing, its wildflower treasures are a hidden secret. Discover them on a segment of the 79-mile-long North Umpqua Trail, which follows the river with a trailhead every five to ten miles, or on a trail to one of many spectacular waterfalls along this aptly dubbed Highway of Waterfalls.

Just five minutes from Glide is the Swiftwater trailhead. Both mornings of the show, experienced collectors lead guided walks through old growth forest, pointing out and discussing dozens of species of blooming wildflowers and shrubs.

Ten miles from Glide, the beautiful Tioga Bridge crosses the North Umpqua River. On the far side, enjoy the waterfall, then turn upriver on the North Umpqua Trail through old-growth forest lush with salal, wild ginger, and oxalis.

Or drive less than a mile farther to the Susan Creek picnic area. The handicapped-accessible Emerald Trail follows the river back to the bridge, through forest dotted with trillium. Amenities at the picnic area include

restrooms, a covered pavilion, and a river overlook where bald eagles and otter have been spotted.

Another popular hiking choice is Fall Creek Falls Trail, fifteen miles from Glide. Creek and trail wind through monstrous boulders tossed down the mountain in an ancient landslide. A few minutes' walk from the parking lot brings you to a huge boulder topped with a glorious display of fawn lilies glowing in the sunshine. Nearby, a narrow passageway between the boulders delights children and adults alike.

Farther upriver, five other bridges provide more access to the North Umpqua Trail. Pick any one, and even a short walk from the trailhead will reveal carpets of goldthread, western starflower, and vanilla leaf. Weeping cliffs shelter lush hanging gardens of *Romanzoffia* and saxifrages. Dogwood blooms turn toward the sun in forest openings, and everywhere are patches of trillium, fairy slipper, starry false Solomon's seal, and dozens of other miniature treasures.

The Glide Wildflower Show and the trails of the North Umpqua offer the native plant lover a full weekend of fun and delight. Kick off Native Plant Appreciation Week in wildflower heaven, along the spectacular North Umpqua River.

For more information, go to glidewildflowershow.org. Lists of lodging and other area attractions can be found in the Visitor Guide at visitroseburg.com. Questions? Send an email to info@glidewildflowershow.org. See you at the show!

January 2016 NPSO State Board Meeting Highlights

The Board voted to officially create a Publications Committee, as proposed by Cindy Roché and Karen Sturgeon. This committee will evaluate ongoing publication needs (annual journal, occasional papers, etc.), with an emphasis on electronic publication. Cindy Roché and Karen Sturgeon also presented guidelines they have written to clarify the criteria and procedures for Fellows nominees.

The NPSO ethical collection guidelines have been updated and reviewed by several NPSO members. They were presented to the Board for comments and the final version will be available on the website.

Cyndi Dion noted that 2015 expenses came in under budget. The new online donations system is working smoothly. The 2016 Budget was approved as proposed. It allows room for adjustment in case *Bulletin* printing costs or EarthShare funds fluctuate, and includes funds for an occasional paper.



NPSO Seeks Candidates

Please consider taking the opportunity to serve our Society by running for election to one of the state-wide officer or at-large board of director positions. Interested persons and people with ideas for potential candidates may contact Dan Luoma by email (daniel.luoma@oregonstate.edu) for more information.



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New Renewal

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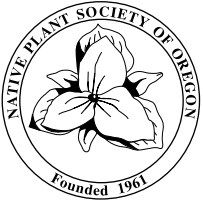
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We have made several recent updates to our website, oregonflora.org.

- 2,223 new images in the Photo Gallery, including many in the grass family as well as photographs by Gerald Carr
- more than 106,000 new specimen records from other herbaria in the Oregon Plant Atlas
- an errata sheet for *Volume 1* of the *Flora of Oregon* is posted on the [/flora.php](#) webpage
- a new webpage with information about gardening with natives

Our *Flora of Oregon Volume 1* has been nominated for the 17th Annual Literature Award by the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries! The winner (of 26 nominees) will be announced late April.

Are you ready for this year's field season? The Oregon Wildflowers plant identification app is a perfect complement to *Flora of Oregon Volume 1* as the most up-to-date plant references for the state.

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