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Meet the 2013 NPSO/IAE Interns

Welcome the 2013 Native Plant Society of Oregon/Institute for Applied Ecology (IAE) interns. Our paid positions in the IAE Conservation Research Program are intended to provide field experience to individuals considering conservation biology, plant ecology, or restoration ecology as a career. For more information on internship opportunities, please contact Sarah Bois at sarah@appliedeco.org, 541-753-3099 ext. 401 or visit www.appliedeco.org. We also encourage you to visit our new blog, 'Adventures in Conservation Research' (<http://research.appliedeco.org>), where the interns will describe several of the projects they will work on over the summer. We thank NPSO for contributing to botanical education and work experience for tomorrow's conservation leaders.

Kelsey Copes-Gerbitz graduated in 2011 with a BA in Environmental Science and Archaeology from Willamette

University in Salem, Oregon. While at Willamette, she worked with the Zena Ecological Restoration Initiative, where she developed an affinity for the Oregon white oak. In 2012 she worked as an AmeriCorps Conservation Team member with The Nature Conservancy in Eugene. After spending this spring and summer exploring the flora of Oregon, she plans to pursue an MS in a conservation ecology-related field with an emphasis in paleoclimate reconstruction and climate change impacts.

Tobin Weatherson graduated from Humboldt State University in 2012, majoring in Environmental Science: Ecological Restoration. He has worked as a research assistant in the Klamath River watershed on a project evaluating the relevance of step-pool systems to stream restoration. Tobin hopes to eventually pursue a Master's degree in plant ecology or restoration ecology.

Andrew Heaston graduated in

2012 with a BS in Plant Sciences from University of California, Santa Cruz. While at UCSC he interned with Younger Lagoon Reserve (YLR), studying the effects of topical mulch application on native flora cover in a coastal grassland / prairie. The following summer he was employed at YLR as a Natural Reserve Field Assistant, following up on his research and participating in active restoration efforts on site. Andrew plans to pursue a graduate degree in plant ecology, with the hopes of eventually teaching in a university setting.



NPSO/IAE Interns (from left to right): Kelsey Copes-Gerbitz, Andrew Heaston, and Tobin Weatherson

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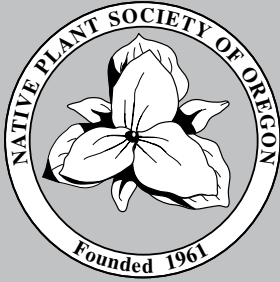
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Do You Love *Kalmiopsis*?

If you do, and if you have some experience in botany and editing, it might be time for you to step up and volunteer. Our *Kalmiopsis* editor, Cindy Roché, is retiring after 13 years on the job. We need a new editor. We cannot publish without one. It would be such a terrible loss to our society if we could not continue to publish our journal.

Our Handbook explains the responsibilities of the *Kalmiopsis* editor as follows:

Purpose of Position: Edits all content and oversees the production of *Kalmiopsis*.

Knowledge/Skills/Abilities Required: Computer, email access, and word processing software.

Essential Functions:

- Solicit articles for *Kalmiopsis*.
- Obtain books for review and recruit appropriate reviewers.
- Edit articles with input from the *Kalmiopsis* Editorial Board and technical reviewers (as needed).
- Negotiate with authors for final form of manuscript.
- Coordinate the *Kalmiopsis* layout with the typesetter, including PDF version for website.
- Coordinate production with publisher, including obtaining bids, proofreading, and arranging bulk mailing.
- Respond to inquiries about *Kalmiopsis*.
- Keep track of expenses, submit all bills to NPSO treasurer, and submit an annual budget to the NPSO Budget Committee.
- Submit quarterly reports to NPSO Board.

If you have questions or are willing to step up, you may contact our current editor, Cindy Roché, kalmiopsis@npsoregon.org, or our president, Judi Sanders, president@npsoregon.org.

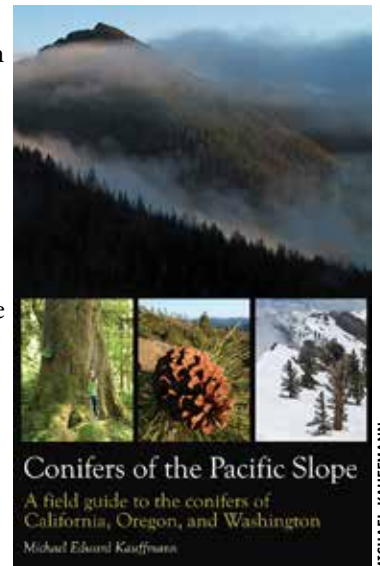
Conifers of the Pacific Slope - a Contemporary Field Guide

One of the most intriguing and ancient groups of plants in the world, conifers survive within the West's most spectacular environments—from the coastal temperate rainforests to the highest mountain summits. Educator, plant explorer, and author Michael Kauffmann introduces readers to the magic of the Pacific Slope's conifers through:

- Color plates for identifying 65 species
- Accurate and updated collection of range maps for all conifer along the Pacific Slope
- Destinations for finding conifers in the field
- Tantalizing photos from across the West
- All conifer species found in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada, southern British Columbia and northern Baja California

Special offer for NPSO members: visit <http://pacslope-conifers.com/npsoc> by July 1, 2013 to save 15% on your book order.

Join Michael Kauffmann in person for a Siskiyou Field Institute class July 13 – 14, "Exploring Conifer Country in the Siskiyou Wilderness." Information and registration available online at www.thesfi.org, or call 541-597-8530.



MICHAEL KAUFFMANN

NPSO CALENDAR

State Notes

2013 Annual & State Board Meetings July 26 – July 28, Friday – Sunday

The William Cusick Chapter will be hosting the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Native Plant Society of Oregon in Baker City. The State Board Meeting will be held on Sunday. Details are available in the April *Bulletin* and online at <http://williamcusick.npsoregon.org/>. Late registration deadline is July 1!

Blue Mountain

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

Cheahmill

For more information, visit the chapter Web site, www.oregon-nativeplants.com. To be added to the e-mail list for upcoming programs and events, please contact cheahmillchapternpsoc@comcast.net.

June 1, Saturday, 8 am – 1 pm

Field Trip: Restored Oak Savanna and Wildflower Tour. Lynda Boyer, restoration biologist and Native Seed Manager for Heritage Seedlings, will lead a tour of private land near Jefferson. Bring your camera, field guide, binoculars, and lunch (outhouses, drinking water, and fruit provided) for a casual walk through the prairie at peak flowering for many native wildflowers and a discussion of successes and frustrations with restoring this endangered habitat. Field trip departs 8 am sharp from parking lot on corner of Blaine St. and Linfield Ave. on the Linfield College campus, McMinnville. Pre-registration required: Cheahmill Chapter members register with Kareen Sturgeon to receive directions, ksturg@linfield.edu, 503-472-0866.

June 18, Tuesday, 5 – 7 pm

Work Party: McMinnville Library Native Plant Garden. NPSO has responsibility for maintenance of the demonstration native plant garden surrounding the Carnegie Room at McMinnville Public Library. It is beautiful

this year! Volunteers learn to ID both native plants and weeds. Bring work gloves and tools. For more information, contact Susan Williams at helgesusan@comcast.net.

Corvallis

For questions, information on upcoming events, or to be on the Corvallis chapter e-mail list, contact Alexis Brickner or Kevin

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>

Weitemier at co_president@NPSOregon.org or 208-921-0827.

June 9, Sunday, 9 am

Field Trip: Drift Creek Falls. Bruce Waugh leads us on an easy hike, 3 miles round trip with a 340 foot elevation drop. There is a great spot for lunch at the bottom across the suspension bridge by the falls. Meet at 9 am in Corvallis at the OSU parking lot SW of The Beanery on 26th and Monroe for carpooling. Bring a lunch and hiking attire; we will be back in the afternoon. For more information: Esther McEvoy, 541-754-0893.

June 22, Saturday, 9 am

Field Trip: Marys Peak. Phil Hays and Esther McEvoy will lead us on the Meadow Edge trail from the campground to the summit and back. It is about a 2 mile hike with elevation gain through the woods and out into the meadow. The rock garden should be in full bloom at this time of year. Bring a lunch and hiking gear; we will be back in the afternoon. Meet at 9 a.m. at the OSU parking lot SW of The Beanery on 26th and Monroe. For more information: Esther McEvoy, 541-754-0893.

July 13, Saturday, 8 am

Field Trip: Iron Mountain. Spectacular wildflowers with over 200 species of vascular plants recorded along this botanically rich trail west of Santiam Pass. The all-day hike will be 5 miles through moderately difficult terrain. Bring good boots, lunch, and water. Meet at 8 am at the OSU parking lot SW of The Beanery on 26th and Monroe in Corvallis. For more information: Dan Luoma, 541-752-8860.

Emerald

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

June 15, Saturday, 9 am

Field Trip: Horse Rock Ridge. Alan

Curtis leads a 3-mile hike to a steep, rocky meadow high in the Coburg Hills north of Springfield. Enjoy wonderful views of the surrounding countryside and great botanical diversity. Bring water and lunch. Meet at South Eugene High School. Contact: Alan Curtis, 541-345-2571.

July 20, Saturday, 9 am - 4 pm

Field Trip: Upper Elk Meadows.

Alan Curtis will lead a hike to Upper Elk Meadows, 30 miles from Cottage Grove. Elevation of the meadow is 4,000 feet. Over 200 species of vascular plants have been identified here. Of special interest is *Frasera umpquaensis* at its most northerly known location. Surrounding the meadow is an old-growth forest of *Abies amabilis*, *Abies grandis*, and *Pseudotsuga menziesii*. We will walk about 1.5 miles through moist meadow. Wear boots and bring lunch and water. Location: Meet at South Eugene High School. Contact: Alan Curtis, 541-345-2571.

Klamath Basin

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

The following wildflower field trips are sponsored by the NPSO Klamath Basin Chapter, Klamath County Museum, Fremont-Winema National Forest, Klamath Falls BLM Resource Area, and Crater Lake National Park. For all trips it is recommended that you bring sturdy shoes or boots, plenty of water, sun screen and/or a hat, and a lunch. Be prepared for mosquitoes at most sites.

June 8, Saturday, 9 am

Garden Tour: Gardening with Natives. The Klamath County Museum will offer a tour of some of the 100-plus native plants being grown in the museum's naturescape garden. A 9:00 session will look at trees, shrubs, lichens and mosses. A 10:00 session will look at flowers, grasses, and herbs. Methods of obtaining native plants will be discussed. Free and open to everyone. Location: 1451 Main St., Klamath Falls. Information: Todd Kepple, Klamath County Museum, 541-883-4208.

June 29, Saturday, 9 am – noon

Field Trip: Pelican Guard Station/Pelican Barn. Located just west of Rocky Point about 30 minutes from Klamath Falls, this area has a complex of forested habitats and meadows with many species of wildflowers. Walking will be less than 2 miles on flat ground. Location: From Klamath Falls take Hwy 140 west to the Westside Rd. about ½ mile past the Rocky Point Junction. Take the Westside Rd. north about 0.2 miles and turn right through the open gate to the Pelican Guard Station. Information: Sarah Malaby, 541-884-5703.

July 13, Saturday, 9 am – noon

Field Trip: Swan Lake Mountain. We will travel up FS Rd. 9718 to Swan Lake Mt. The trip will consist of several stops of easy walking over uneven terrain for short distances off the road. We will see a variety of forest wildflowers and enjoy the terrific view from the highest point on the Chiloquin Ranger District. Location: Meet at Hagelstein Park, just east of Hwy 97. From Klamath Falls take Hwy 97 north approximately 16 miles. Look for the sign indicating the park turnoff. Information: Missy Anderson, Forest Service Chiloquin District Office, 541-783-4001.

Save the Dates!

July 20, Saturday, 9 am – noon

Field Trip: Tunnel Creek

August 10, Saturday, 9 am – noon

Field Trip: Crater Lake Garfield Peak Trail

Mid-Columbia

For information on the Mid-Columbia Chapter, contact Sara Wu at wusara96@yahoo.com.

June 16, Sunday

Pot-luck: Annual Chapter Pot-luck and Outing. This event will be hosted by Will Bloch and Dell Rhodes. Contact Dell Rhodes, rhodes@reed.edu for details.

June 20, Thursday, 7 pm

Video: Finding David Douglas. Produced by the Oregon Cultural Heritage Commission in collaboration with

the US Forest Service and the Forestry Commission Scotland, *Finding David Douglas* is an hour-long documentary about the 19th century Scottish botanist/plant hunter, David Douglas (1799-1834). Douglas explored western North America before white settlement altered the landscape. He discovered and introduced more than 200 new species to the gardens and forests of Europe. Following the video, we'll brainstorm future outings, meeting topics, and the possibility that we will host the NPSO Annual Meeting in 2015. Location: Room 1.366, Building 1, Columbia Gorge Community College, The Dalles.

The chapter will not meet again until September.

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.

Meeting Location: The Portland Chapter meets the second Thursday of most months in the Metro Building at 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland. Enter the building at the south end of the upper plaza on Irving St. (not the door on 600 NE Grand Ave.). An attendant will direct you to the meeting room upstairs. Informal meeting is at 7 pm. Formal meeting and presentation begin at 7:15 pm.

June 1, Saturday, 8 am – 1 pm

Field Trip: Restored Oak Savanna and Wildflower Tour. See full trip description in the Cheahmill Chapter Events. Pre-registration required: Portland Chapter members register with Kareen Sturgeon to receive directions, ksturg@linfield.edu, 503-472-0866.

June 2, Sunday, 10 am – noon

Work Party: The Great Camas Scotch Broom Pull. Over the last few years we have made excellent progress toward

control of Scotch broom on this piece of property that Russ Jolley loved and cared for. We will be removing plants and new sprouts. Please bring your clippers, loppers, hand saws, and gloves. You can picnic at the Great Camas Patch or travel to another site to picnic and hike. Parking is limited. Please contact Angie Moore MLM@teleport.com or 503 292 2093 to find out where we will meet for car pools.

June 6, Thursday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Field Trip: Dog Mt. Hike. Nothing beats this in the Gorge for flowers and views. Balsamroot, lomatiums, orchids, and much more. Difficult hike, 7-mile, 2900 ft elevation gain but at a botanical pace (slow) at least on the way up, and we can shorten the hike. 110 mile RT drive. Contact Nancy Chapman at chapmannj@comcast.net for more information. Hike will be rescheduled in case of rain.

June 13, Thursday, 7 pm

Program Meeting: Mysteries of the Monotropoidae. Dr. Dan Luoma will integrate wildflower and mushroom natural history for a group of plants that don't have chlorophyll (snow plants and relatives). The talk will explore the broader interrelationships among fungi, plants, and animals. The beneficial roles of certain root-dwelling fungi, some of which produce choice edible mushrooms and truffles, will be touched on. Meeting location: see above. Contact: Mary Smith at alphiesmith@comcast.net or 503-288-4340.

June 15, Saturday, 10:30 am

Field Trip: Lichens on Marys Peak. Come explore the world of lichens with US Forest Service lichenologist, Doug Glavich. Observe lush lichen communities from the cool, clean forests of Mary's Peak to the nitrogen-affected lichens in woodlands of the Willamette Valley. Bring a hand lens. We will meet at the Lower Mary's Peak parking lot. Take I-5 south then Hwy 34 west. About 9 miles past Philomath, turn right onto Mary's Peak Rd. and the lower parking lot will be in sight. The round trip drive is about 175 miles and takes about 1 hour 40 min. each way. Contact Nancy Chapman,

chapmannj@comcast.net or 503-234-0162 for more information including the carpool location in Portland.

June 22, Saturday, 9 am

Field Trip: Larch Mt. Hike. This is a moderate to strenuous loop hike of about 6.4 miles with an elevation gain of 1,300 feet through both meadow and old growth forest. We will view wildflowers that have emerged within the last several weeks from the recent snow melt. Contact Ron Klump at ronklump55@comcast.net for more information or to sign up for the hike.

June 25, Tuesday, 9 am

Field Trip: Saddle Mountain. Roger Brewer will lead us to this botanic gem near the coast, with species including *Dodecatheon dentatum*, *Corydalis scouleri*, *Sidalcea hendersonii*, *Polypodium scouleri*, *Saxifraga caespitosa*, and many others. If we make it to the summit and the weather cooperates, we'll be treated to a view from Mt. Rainier to Mt. Jefferson. Full day. Difficult although we will go at a botany pace (slow). 160 miles round trip. For more information contact Roger Brewer at rogerbrewer@comcast.net or 503 789 5027.

July 6, Saturday

Field Trip: Iron Mountain Hike.

Iron Mountain is a botanical paradise so wonderful, there's a book about it: *Wildflowers of the Western Cascades*, by Ross & Chambers. Expect to see several *Sedum* and *Castilleja* species, *Nothochelone*, *Aconitum*, *Orthocarpus imbricatus*, *Ipomopsis aggregata*, *Rudbeckia occidentalis* and more. We'll have lunch at the top on the new viewing platform. Moderate 3.4 mile hike round-trip with 1,200 feet of elevation. 260 mile drive RT, with an early morning start. NW Forest Pass required (or bring \$5 in cash for the self-service kiosk). Contact Brent Miller, 503-382-7605, or foliosus@foliosus.com for more information or to sign up.

July 11, Thursday, 8 am – 5 pm

Field Trip: Silver Star Mountain Hike.

The rocky soil and open meadows of Silver Star Mountain are a wonderland of subalpine and alpine wildflowers, including *Xerophyllum tenax*, *Calochortus*

subalpinus, *Erythronium montanum*, *Ligusticum grayi*, five penstemon species, and more. This moderate hike is 5.6 miles round trip with 1,240 feet elevation gain along a high ridge. Hiking boots and poles recommended; bring lunch, water, binoculars, etc. Drive 95 miles RT, high-clearance vehicles recommended for the last 4 miles. For more information, contact leader Susan Saul, susan103saul@gmail.com or 360-892-5643. To sign up for carpools, contact assistant leader Clarice Johnston, eclaricej@gmail.com or 503-860-9808. Let her know if you are a rider or driver and how many passengers you can take. Group size limited to 12.

Save the Date!

July 20, Saturday

Field Trip: Lookout Mountain Hike.

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 2013, make a suggestion, or provide feedback regarding the field trip program please contact Sasha Joachims at: sasharain71@gmail.com.

Hikes are rated for difficulty according to the following criteria: Easy: Up to 3 miles, less than 700 ft. elev. gain. Moderate: 3-5 miles, less than 1,200 ft. elev. gain. Strenuous/Difficult: 5-10 miles, up to 2,500 ft. elev. gain. Rugged: Over 10 miles, steep trail, over 2,500 ft. elev. gain.

June 15, Saturday, 9 am – 2 or 3 pm

Hike: Spring Bloom at Mt. Ashland.

Join Alex Maksymowicz on this easy (but at 8,000' altitude), mostly car tour, of what is in bloom along the FS 20 road, Rabbit Ears, and optional walking tour of the first half mile of the Pacific Crest Trail through Grouse Meadow. Bring water, lunch, and shoes for a boggy meadow. Location: meet behind OilStop on Ashland St., just west of the Ashland BiMart/Shop'n Kart parking lot, about ¼ mile west of I-5, exit 14. Contact Sasha Joachims, sasharain71@gmail.com or 541-661-3492 for more

information.

June 22, Saturday, 9 am – 12:30 or 1 pm

Tour: Applegate Road Restoration/Decommission. Join BLM botanist Doug Kendig on this easy tour of Ladybug Gulch and Lick Creek road obliteration sites in the Applegate Valley. The focus will be road obliteration techniques and native plant selection, seeding and planting to revegetate disturbed areas. There will be opportunities for botanizing. Walking will be about 1 mile, along fairly level old road-bed; wear sturdy shoes and bring snacks and water, but there won't be a lunch break. Location: meet at Ruch Country Store in Ruch. Contact Sasha Joachims, sasharain71@gmail.com or 541-661-3492 for more information.

Save the Dates!

August 3, Saturday

Alpine Flowers at Crater Lake National Park.

August 11, Sunday

Walch Meadow (SW Cascades).

August 17, Saturday

Late summer on Mt. Ashland.

Umpqua Valley

Visit www.umpquavalleynativeplants.com for more information on chapter activities or to be added to our e-mail list.

Willamette Valley

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

June 1, Saturday, 8 am – 1 pm

Field Trip: Restored Oak Savanna and Wildflower Tour. See full trip description in the Cheahmill Chapter Events. Pre-registration required: Willamette Valley members register with John Savage to receive directions, 503-399-8615 after 7 pm.

Summer Nature Hikes

Participants in the following hikes will meet at the Straub Environmental Learning Center, 1320 A St. NE, Salem, to carpool. To register and get

instructions, call John Savage at 503-399-8615 after 7 pm. The hikes are free and open to the public.

June 2, Sunday, 7 am – 5 pm

Hike: Dog Mountain. We will view wildflowers on Dog Mountain, located in the Columbia Gorge on the Washington side. This is a premier wildflower area and a very difficult hike (more than 2,800 feet of elevation gain). Bring lunch and water.

June 8, Saturday, 8:30 am – noon

Hike: Kingston Prairie. This 52-acre Nature Conservancy Preserve southeast of Stayton is the best example of native prairie remaining in the Central Willamette Valley. Both wet and dry prairie habitats harbor native grasses and host several rare wildflowers. Bring lunch and water.

William Cusick

Visit our Web site at <http://williamcusick.npsoregon.org> or contact Laurie Allen at 541-805-0499 for updates and general information.

OTHER EVENTS

KS Wild

June 13, Thursday, 9 am – 3 pm

Hike: Babyfoot Lake Botanical Area.

This moderate 4.7 mile hike in the Kalmiopsis Wilderness will feature a wide array of wildflowers. We'll discuss the clearcut at the beginning of the trail, and witness post-Biscuit-fire regeneration, before entering a diverse forest of pine, spruce and cedar. Bring lunch, plenty of water, sun & rain gear, and comfortable hiking shoes. Location: Carpool leaves Evo's Coffee at 9 am and in Ashland and 9:45 from Gooseberries in Grants Pass. Information: Morgan Lindsay, 541-488-5789, or <http://kswild.org/get-involved/Events>.

Siskiyou Field Institute

These classes are based out of Deer Creek Center, Selma and require advance registration. For more information, call 541-597-8530 or visit www.thesfi.org.

June 21 - 23, Friday – Sunday

Class: Mastering Wildflower Photography with a Digital/DSLR Camera.

Pacific Northwest photographer and native plant enthusiast Mark Turner will help you learn new ways to frame the flowers, create strong compositions, control natural light, and take charge of your camera's many features. He will also offer tips on "geo-tagging" your photos with GPS features and using online photo curator programs. Tuition: \$150.

June 22, Saturday

Class: Botanizing Whetstone Butte.

Join Cecile Shohet to spend the day botanizing serpentine plant communities at various elevations in the Kalmiopsis Wilderness. See rare Siskiyou fritillary, strawberry saxifrage, and Siskiyou lewisia. Tracy's lupine and Bolander's lily will also be visible. As a final treat we'll see the rare Howell's mariposa lily. Tuition: \$50.

July 13-14, Saturday – Sunday

Class: Botanizing the High Siskiyou.

We will hike at Bolan Lake, Bolan Peak, and Bigelow Lakes as we observe their botanical treasures. You'll learn plant i.d.s and descriptions as hinted at by their Latin names. Don't miss this opportunity to learn plant i.d. the fun way as taught by The Jepson Manual principal illustrator, Linda Ann Vorobik. Tuition: \$100.

July 19-22, Friday – Monday

Class: Crash Course in Flowering Plant Families.

We'll compare traits of 50 plant families, learn how to key using The Jepson Manual, and study names of local trees, shrubs, and flowering plants. Morning lab and slide lectures whet appetites for afternoons in the field. We will also discuss changes in plant taxonomy that occur in the new edition of Jepson. Some botany experience is strongly recommended. Tuition: \$250.

Welcome New NPSO Members

Please welcome these new members who joined NPSO between November 15, 2012 and May 11, 2013.

Cheahmill

Terra Crampton
Clay E. Wesson

Corvallis

Jessica Anderson
Susie M. Dunham
Cecily R. Feudo
Lisa A. Field
Carolyn Kindell
Susan L. Nicholas

Emerald

McKenzie River Trust
Earl B. Alexander
Deb Carver
Sarah Hasler
Helen A. Hollyer
Susie Holmes
Katie Mackendrick
John M. Pegg
Megan Seymour
ShyAnne R. Woods

Mid-Columbia

Susan Gabay
Judith & Alec Maule
Michael McKeag
Dan Richardson
Brian Schultz
Kathy Schwartz
Dick & Jeanene Stentz

Portland

Timothy Babalis
Janet Bebb
Bill Bennett
Brianna Borders
Sherry Cohen
David A. Dalton
Thomas R. Dyke
Donna Giguere

Christine King
Susan & Robert Leeb
Laura Maurer
Christopher Reidy
Maureen Relyea
Lindsey A. Riibe
Martin Skinner
Ingrid C. Wehrle
Barry R. Witt
Marina Wynton

Siskiyou

Spence Everson
Calene Thomas
Bryan Wender
Jennifer Whipple
Charles H. Whitaker

Willamette Valley

Bob Allen
Larry Ames
Patricia Brown
Tamsen Hanna
Stacey Howard
Ruth Hudgens
Danijela Marjanovic
Dan Rushby
Christy Scheufele
Sharon Selvaggio

William Cusick

Susan Badger-Jones

Members at Large

Pam Camp
Roger & Joan Holland
Robert Marheine
Daniel Mosquin
Jim Platt
Swets Information Services B.V.
Conservatoire et Jardin Botanique
Laney Widener

Leighton Ho Fund Receives Gener- ous Donation

by Dan Luoma, Corvallis Chapter

We are very pleased to announce that the Kiilsgaard-Greene Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation made a generous donation of \$2,000 to NPSO's Leighton Ho fund.

The Leighton Ho Field Botany Award is made for a project that conducts basic field research into the biology and distribution of Oregon's native and naturalized flora and vegetation or that promotes native plant conservation through better understanding of Oregon's flora and vegetation and the factors affecting their survival. Western Oregon is the focus area for use of the Leighton Ho Award.

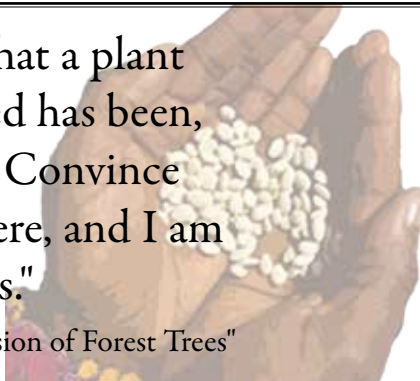
The most recent grantees have been: Kimberley Higgs, who used the cinnabar moth to study rapid evolution in an insect introduced for biological control and the risk to native, non-target host plants; Rhiannon Thomas, who studied nectar availability for the rare Fender's Blue Butterfly; Andrea Thorp and Robert Massatti, who worked on range-extension of Henderson's checkermallow; Jennifer Modliszewski, who worked on the genetics of local *Mimulus* species; Evan Frost, who inventoried rare plants in serpentine fens; Harold Zald, who worked on plant distributions in Jefferson Park; and Malanie Gisler, who carried out the re-introduction of Henderson's checkermallow near the northern Oregon coast.

Chris Kiilsgaard and Sarah Greene are long-time members of the Corvallis Chapter, and are life members of NPSO. Please join in extending our thanks and appreciation to Chris and Sarah. Their donation will help maintain the rich legacy of botanical investigation that NPSO has dedicated to the memory of Leighton Ho's contributions to our society.



"Though I do not believe that a plant will spring up where no seed has been, I have great faith in a seed. Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to expect wonders."

Henry David Thoreau, "The Succession of Forest Trees"



April 2013 NPSO Board Meeting Highlights

by Lisa Blackburn, NPSO Secretary

The Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) list of rare and endangered species has not been updated for many years. ODA, which has jurisdiction over non-federal lands, needs to be petitioned to do a review of the list. The Board approved a motion to recruit a volunteer to petition ODA to update their rare and endangered list.

Postage costs are increasing as the US Postal Service now requires we use a heavier stock of paper for the *Bulletin*. The printer we have been using offered a bid of \$535 per *Bulletin* issue, including tabbing. The Board approved a motion to accept the bid.

The nominees for the Directors at Large positions for 2013-2015 are Karen Sturgeon, Michael Hartman, and Dan Luoma.

The Board reviewed the High Desert Chapter draft by-laws (the Chapter is currently inactive). Dan Luoma will get back to the chapter as well as the NPSO President and Treasurer on what is required next.

The Rare and Endangered

Committee wants to pursue grants for the Citizen Rare Plant Watch program (they currently have 85 people interested in volunteering in the program) to buy GPS units, etc. The Board approved a motion to allow Erin Gray to get small grants without Board approval if no strings are attached. If an endorsement or other string is attached to the grant, then the grant would need Board approval.

The Board approved a motion to set up a committee to study expansion of NPSO's mission and where to house a possible part time position, as well as establish a Development Fund and ask people to contribute to such a fund to help NPSO grow. Acting President Billy Don Robinson appointed Mary Beth Averill, Erin Gray, Cecile Shohet and Frances Stilwell to be on the committee. The committee is to develop the Development Fund purpose and administration, and present to the Board.

Two Field Research Grants were approved, each for up to \$750 for supplies, food and travel expenses:

1. Keir Wefferling, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee – for expanded field collection of specimens of the subalpine marsh-marigold (*Caltha leptosepala*) species complex in Oregon.
2. Martin Nicholson and Erin Riggs, Hoyt Herbarium, Portland – Hoyt Arboretum and Herbarium are formulating protocol for a long-term gymnosperm phenology and cone set study. The grant would provide funding for travel and accommodations for research plot installation in the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest.

The Board approved funding three complimentary NPSO memberships for the Institute for Applied Ecology (IAE) interns that we partially fund.

The Board approved auctioning off the botany books donated from the estate of Shep Wilson to raise funds for the newly-approved NPSO Development Fund.

The next State Board Meeting will be Sunday, July 28 at the Annual Meeting in Baker City.

NPSO Annual Meeting Updates

Geiser Grand Hotel Reservations

For those attending the NPSO annual meeting in Baker City this July, reservations can be made for a room at the Geiser Grand Hotel by visiting their website at <http://www.geisergrand.com/> or calling their front desk at 888-434-7374. Apparently, registrants have been having problems making internet reservations, but the Geiser Grand event planner has resolved the problem by releasing rooms for NPSO meeting participants.

Stipends for Students

NPSO is offering three stipends of \$200 each to college undergraduate or graduate students who are NPSO members to attend the 2013 Annual Meeting in Baker City. We want to encourage more students to be active in NPSO, so we are offering the stipends to help defray some expenses for travel, lodging, food, and registration. In return, NPSO asks that each student who receives a stipend write a short article (about 250-300 words), describing some aspect of the meeting such as the field trip you participated in or one of the evening presentations, for the *Bulletin*.

To apply, please request a copy of the Stipend Application directly from Mary Beth Averill, writeonmba@aol.com. Make sure to indicate NPSO Annual Meeting Stipend in the subject line of your email. Deadline for submitting your stipend application to writeonmba@aol.com by email is June 22, 2013.

Display Your Native Plant Art

The Crossroads Carnegie Art Center in Baker City has graciously offered to display and sell native plant artwork from NPSO members during the Annual Meeting this July. Regular gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm, and the artwork will also be available for viewing during the NPSO State Board Meeting on Sunday. The main gallery exhibit will be Mary Davies Kerns along with several artists from Harney County.

There will be no commission charged for sales, but please provide a receipt book and zippered bag. It would also be helpful to have printed material about your artwork and easels for small paintings. Please contact Margaret L. Mead, summersowwinterweave@gmail.com, by June 21 for further information and to make arrangements for your artwork.

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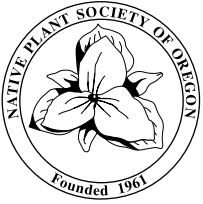
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Learning who uses our website, what people are looking for, and how effectively our web tools present the OFP data are important considerations in the redesign of our website. Let us know how you use the OFP website, and add your financial support to help us provide you with an improved online resource about Oregon plants!

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