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Photo by Bruce Newhouse

Kincaid's Lupine (Lupinus oreganus)

Federally listed as "threatened," this member of the pea family (Fabaceae) is a primary larval food source for the endangered Fender's blue butterfly (*Icaricia icariodes fenderi*), which is found only in Oregon. Regionally endemic from Douglas County, Oregon, north to Lewis County, Washington, it typically grows with bunchgrasses and native forbs. Destruction of native prairie habitat due to development and conversion to agriculture are major reasons for the decline of Kincaid's lupine (US Fish & Wildlife Service 2011).

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April 2021 designated
"National Native Plant Month"
by Senate Resolution 109 from Congress



Photo by Walter Siegmund

Red flowering currant (*Ribes sanguineum*) is a large shrub loved by hummingbirds for its nectar and by small birds who nest in its protective branches.

On March 26th, 2021, U.S. Senators Rob Portman (R-OH) and Mazie K. Hirono (D-HI) celebrated unanimous passage of a bipartisan resolution designating April 2021 as "National Native Plant Month." The resolution recognizes the value of native plants in efforts to increase biodiversity, conserve natural resources for wildlife, and restore native habitat as an effective means to prevent soil, air and water degradation. The resolution was broadly supported by conservation groups and native plant societies across the country. NPSO conveyed its support through Oregon Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley.

Bradshaw's lomatium (Lomatium bradshawii) Removed from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Plants

Bradshaw's desert parsley is a perennial herb native to Oregon and Washington. Thought to be extinct, it was rediscovered in 1979 by Barbara Perry Lawton, a graduate student at the University of Oregon. It was common in the Willamette Valley before agricultural development and fire suppression efforts allowed other species to outcompete this native. Most remaining populations are located within ten miles of Eugene, Oregon, in localized regions of the Willamette Valley, but some scattered populations can be found in the area of Puget Sound, Washington.

Like many plants in the carrot family (Apiaceae), *Lomatium* is edible. The roots of desert parsley have been used as a staple food by native populations throughout the region. Prior to its



decline, its leaves and flowers were utilized for medicine because of their anti-viral properties.



Photo by Roger T. George



Photo by Joe Arnett

Bradshaw's lomatium (*Lomatium bradshawii*) flowers during May and June. This native perennial grows in wet meadows at low elevations.

"We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), remove Bradshaw's lomatium (Lomatium bradshawii, also known as Bradshaw's desert parsley), a plant found in western Oregon and southwestern Washington, from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Plants. Our review of the best available scientific and commercial data indicates that the threats to Bradshaw's lomatium have been eliminated or reduced to the point that the species no longer meets the definition of an endangered or threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act) This rule is effective April 7, 2021" (Fish and Wildlife Service 2021). For more information about this ruling:

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/03/08/2021-04693/endangered-and-threatened-wildlife-and-plants-removing-bradshaws-lomatium-lomatium-bradshawii-from

Photos for this article courtesy of Burke Herbarium Image Collection http://biology.burke.washington.edu

Oregon Mystery Plant

Last month's mystery plant revealed:

According to Professor Bitty Roy from the University of Oregon, this plant is a rockcress



species (*Boechera*) infected with a rust fungus. For more information visit: http://www.jstor.org/stable/2265745
Thank you, Professor Roy!



Photo by Katie Grenier

New Mystery plant

Do you recognize this plant?

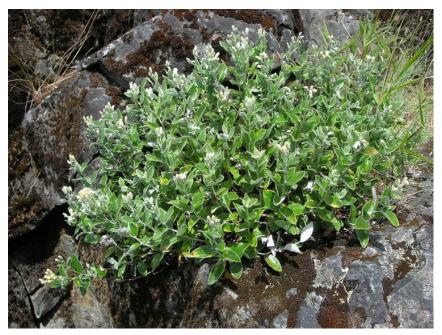


Photo by Kareen Sturgeon.

This beautiful perennial was photographed in June growing on open, rocky cliffs along the banks of the Rogue River. It is often found on serpentine in that part of the state, but its distribution also extends north into southern British Columbia and south to northern California. Its clusters of pale yellow discoid heads place it in the Asteraceae; sessile, ovate leaves with bright white (lanate or tomentose) undersides are a striking feature.

Do you have an Oregon Mystery Plant to share? Send it to the editor: bulletin@npsoregon.org



Have you discovered the "News & Events" page on the OregonFlora website?

You can find short items highlighting the activities and applications of the OregonFlora team. Our most recent post was prepared by our long-time colleague Dr. Dennis Albert and highlights how OregonFlora's



resources inform studies of pollinators and biodiversity. His essay can also be found on our <u>website</u> under the Resources tab, "News & Events."

--Linda Hardison

Andy Moldenke tells the story of *Nemophila menziesii* (baby blue eyes) and its specialist pollinator, the solitary bee *Andrena nigripes*.



The full article is in the chapter "Insects as Plant Taxonomists" by Jeffrey Miller, Andy Moldenke, and Dennis Albert in *Flora of Oregon Volume 2*.

Candidates for NPSO Board Positions in 2021

The NPSO Nominating Committee offers the following list of candidates for the State offices. Newly elected individuals would usually assume office during the Annual Meeting. This year the induction "ceremony" will precede the on-line board meeting in May that will take place in lieu of the Annual Meeting board meeting. Please consider serving our Society. Interested persons and people with suggestions for potential candidates may contact Dan Luoma by email (daniel.luoma@oregonstate.edu) for more information.

Voting instructions will be sent via email to NPSO members-of-record in early April.

President:

Dan Luoma (Corvallis) has been a member of NPSO since about 1980. He has previously served as State President, Vice-President, and Director-at-Large. His academic training is in ecological plant geography. Dan is a retired professor, having specialized in forest mycology with the Department of Forest Ecosystems and Society at Oregon State University. Dan has taught mycology at OSU and a course on forest mycology through the Siskiyou Field Institute and Southern Oregon University. He continues to pursue research on the diversity of truffles and mushrooms in the forests of the Pacific Northwest. He was a charter member and second president of the Corvallis Chapter and is currently chapter Treasurer.

Vice-President:

Gail Baker (Emerald) has been active in NPSO since 1982, holding positions as Emerald Chapter President and Vice President, Director on the State Board, assisting with annual meetings hosted by Emerald Chapter, contributing articles to NPSO Bulletin about destinations for wildflowers and botanical art, and a listing of wildflower festivals around Oregon. Gail is currently coordinating Emerald Chapter speakers' program, works with sister organizations to co-sponsor speakers, serves on

the Friends of Buford Park Stewardship Committee assisting with habitat restoration, and leads field trips for Mt Pisgah Arboretum. She served on the Oregon Flora Project Advisory Committee and initiated Wildflower Month in Eugene coordinating wildflower art exhibits, walks and programs leading up to the annual Mt Pisgah Arboretum Wildflower Festival. After a long career in plant ecology research in California, she taught plant science courses at Lane CC. Leading student field trips for plant ecology and botany classes and establishing the Native Plant Landscaping Project surrounding the Science and Math Building were some of the highlights. Gail loves to be outside exploring landscapes and the interactions between plants and animals they contain. Travel takes her and her family to biologically interesting regions where they immerse themselves in local environments and make connections between people, plants, and food while trying to visit every farmer's market.

Secretary:

Steven Yeager (Emerald). Originally from Philadelphia, Steven moved to the Pacific Northwest in 1994, and has been rooted in Eugene ever since. He has been exploring Oregon's wild places and studying the Pacific Northwest's native flora since 1995. Steven is the former co-owner of the Columbines School of Botanical Studies in Eugene. He also is the Director of Quality and Regulatory Affairs at Mountain Rose Herbs and is responsible for the proper identity of their botanical products. Steven is also active with the NPSO Emerald Chapter, having served as President, and serves on the boards of the United Plant Savers and the American Herbal Products Association.

Treasurer:

Michael Hartman (Emerald) has served the NPSO in a variety of capacities for many years. He is currently NPSO Emerald Chapter Treasurer and was formerly NPSO Bulletin Mailing Coordinator and NPSO Webmaster.

Directors-at-Large:

Karl Anderson (Emerald) was raised in southern Wisconsin, but found his true home in Oregon's Willamette Valley 23 years ago. A life-long natural history enthusiast, he has a BS in Genetics, an MS in Environmental Science, and spent two years in a doctoral program in Ecology and Evolution before finding an easier way to make a living; whereupon he obtained an MS in Computer Science. After a sojourn in New Mexico, Karl retired in 2017 and returned to Oregon, where he is restoring a patch of historical upland prairie and oak savanna in Fall Creek, while volunteering with NPSO and OregonFlora. He is a life member of NPSO, and a repeat Director-at-Large on the State board. He declares that native plant people are his people.

Lisa Blackburn (Cheahmill) was born and raised in southern California. She graduated with a BS in Renewable Natural Resources and an MS in Range Management from the University of California at Davis. Lisa moved to Oregon in 1977. She worked for the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management for 31 years, retiring in 2007 from the BLM Oregon State Office in Portland. Her interest in plants and geology started during childhood through family camping vacations all over the western United States. Lisa has served as President of the Cheahmill Chapter and most recently served our Society as President, Secretary, and Vice-President.

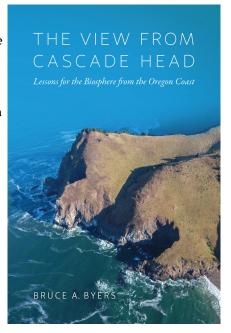
Margaret Conover (Emerald) was born and raised in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. In 1982 she earned a PhD in Botany at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, where her research and a Fulbright Fellowship landed her in Australia for two years. Before relocating to Eugene in 2016, Margaret lived for 35 years on Long Island, New York, where she co-founded the Long Island Botanical Society and served as newsletter editor. She taught botany at the New York Botanical Garden, Stony Brook University, and online through Chapman University while pursuing a career in museum administration as Director of the Shoreham-Wading River Science Museum. She currently serves on the board of the Emerald Chapter of NPSO and has managed the membership database for NPSO since 2017. In her free time, she plays piano and tries to become more familiar with the flora of Oregon.

Book Review:

The View From Cascade Head: Lessons for the Biosphere from the Oregon Coast by Bruce A. Byers

The frontispiece reveals that the name Cascade Head in the book title refers to the Cascade Head Biosphere Reserve, which encompasses a number of discrete components, including the Neskowin Crest Natural Research Area, Cascade Head Experimental Forest, The Nature Conservancy Cascade Head Preserve, Sitka Center for Art & Ecology, Salmon River and Estuary, Camp Westwind, and Cascade Head Marine Reserve. For the full review by Kareen Sturgeon, click here.

The View From Cascade Head: Lessons for the Biosphere from the Oregon Coast by Bruce A. Byers 2020 ISBN 9780870710353 Oregon State University Press, Corvallis, Oregon. 216 pp. 16 B/W illust. 1 map. 6 x 9 in. paper. \$22.95



Writers Sought to Tell Stories about Botanists in Oregon for *Kalmiopsis*



Henry J. Biddle

On the sign at Beacon Rock State Park in the Columbia Gorge we read: "Beacon Rock is a monolith, the core of a young volcano that erupted around 57,000 years ago. It is claimed to be the second largest free-standing monolith in the world. Lewis and Clark named it Beacon Rock in 1805. Native tribes and Lewis and Clark recognized that Beacon Rock marked the last of the rapids on the Columbia River and the beginning of tidal influence from the Pacific Ocean, 150 miles away. Henry J. Biddle, a prominent botanist, geologist and engineer, purchased Beacon Rock in 1915 for \$1 and built a trail to the top 1916-1918, an engineering marvel at the time with 51 switchbacks, handrails and bridges. Washington State established Beacon Rock as a park in 1935."

Who was Henry Jonathan Biddle and how did he come to buy this prominent piece of real estate and what was his role in Oregon as a "prominent botanist?" The *Kalmiopsis* editors are looking for a writer to research his life and accomplishments in Oregon and tell his story in an article.

If you are interested in researching and writing an article on Henry J. Biddle, please send an email to Kalmiopsis@npsoregon.org.

Cindy Roché and Kareen Sturgeon

Scholarships Available

Students in Botany and Plant-related fields

The Willamette Valley Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Oregon is offering \$1,000 scholarships for sophomores, juniors, and seniors enrolled at an Oregon college and university for the 2021-2022 school year majoring in one of the following fields of study:

- Botany;
- Horticulture with a focus on native plants;
- Any biological, environmental, or natural resource science with a botany emphasis;
- Any biological, environmental, or natural resource science combined with demonstrated intent to pursue study/career in a plant-based field focused on or related to native plants (e.g. ecology, systematics, sustainable natural resource management, conservation biology).

A limited number of qualified applicants will be selected to receive the \$1,000 scholarship. Applications will be accepted by mail or electronically until **June 1, 2021.** Half-time students are eligible.

Applications must include: Name, address, email address, phone number, college/university name, and address.

For more information please contact:
John Savage
Jean Davis and Augusta Rockafellar Scholarship Funds
413 Belmont Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

Or completed applications and documents can be sent by email to: wvnpso@gmail.com.

The 2021 Annual Meeting of NPSO is cancelled because of COVID-19 restrictions

Thank you for helping to keep our community safe and healthy!



Chapter Notes Cheahmill

For questions, or to be added to the Cheahmill Chapter's email list for reminders of upcoming programs and events, please contact the Cheahmill Chapter President, Lisa Blackburn, at blackburnlisag@gmail.com.

Check out our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/NPSO.Cheahmill/.

Corvallis

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

Monday, April 12th, 7:30 pm

Program: Zoom meeting "Edible, Medicinal Plants with a Focus on Herbal Concepts"

Presenter: Steven Yeager from the Emerald Chapter

Steven will present a number of herbal concepts such as bitters, aromatics, astringents, and demulcents. He will incorporate mostly non-native plants into these concepts with botanical terminology mixed in.

*Pre-registration is required. If you would like to join the meeting please send an email to daniel.luoma@oregonstate.edu and indicate what your Zoom name is. We will be using

the "waiting room" feature for enhanced security. You will receive an invitation to the meeting about one hour ahead of time. Unfortunately, requests for invitations after that point may be missed.

Sunday, April 18th, 10:00 am - noon

Event: Native Plant Work Party

Location: Avery House garden, Avery Park. Come prepared for the weather and bring clippers, trowel, water and energy. We will work on spring cleanup in the gardens. Contact Esther for more information. 541-990-0948 (estherco@peak.org).

Emerald

Visit the Emerald Chapter website 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.

Wednesday, April 14th, 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Field Trip: Armitage Park Evening Wildflower Walk

Join Ed Alverson, botanist from Lane Country Parks, for an evening wildflower walk along the Crilly Trail in Armitage Park. We'll also see a large population of Henderson's shooting star in full bloom. In response to public health concerns, group size will be restricted according to County guidelines, attendees must pre-register, wear a mask, social distance along the trail, and attend only if they are free of symptoms. All trips will proceed rain-or-shine so please dress for the weather. Sign up here.

Monday, April 19th, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Program: Plant Succession 40 years after the Mount St. Helens Eruption. The Weevil Empire: How Insects Rule and other stories from the Pumice Plain

Speaker John Bishop Ph.D., a professor in the School of Biological Sciences Washington State University, will highlight his 31 years of ecological research at Mount St. Helens. His work there examines the development of a new ecosystem on the Pumice Plain, where the 1980 eruption erased all traces of life. Much of this work is focused on two keystone plant colonists, alpine lupin (*Lupinus lepidus* var. *lobbii*), and Sitka willow (*Salix sitchensis*), their insect herbivores, and cascading effects on community and ecosystem development. Link to Zoom location will be posted on the chapter website and emailed to chapter members in advance.

View previously recorded NPSO Emerald Chapter Programs at http://bit.ly/recordedmonthlyprograms

Friday to Monday, April 30th - May 3rd

Interactive Program: City Nature Challenge 2021

Join your friends and neighbors in documenting local plants and animals during the Eugene-Springfield 2021 City Nature Challenge! This year, Emerald Chapter partners with 12 other Lane County organizations to invite you to get outdoors and explore the world just outside of your backyard. The City Nature Challenge is a community science bioblitz with the goal of observing and identifying as many species as possible in urban communities. Participants from more than 200 cities worldwide will contribute and so can you! This is an iNaturalist project. https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/eugene-springfield-city-nature-challenge-2021

Saturday, May 1st, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Field Trip: Wildflower Walk at Mt Pisgah Arboretum

Come enjoy spring wildflower displays on a spring walk led by Gail Baker & Steven Yeager. Camas and Iris should be in full flower and we'll look for pale baby blue-eyes and blue-eyed Mary. We will also see some colorful developing fruits of the early season flowers such as

osoberry. Location, handouts and details provided when registered. In response to public health concerns, group size will be restricted according to County guidelines, attendees must pre-register, wear a mask, social distance along the trail, and attend only if they are free of symptoms. All trips will proceed rain-or-shine so please dress for the weather. Sign up here.

Tuesday to Friday, May 11th - 15th

Interactive Program: Lane County Wildflower Show Bioblitz 2021

The poster plant for the 2021 Wildflower Festival is fireweed (*Chamaenerion angustifolium*), representing this year's theme of restoration, recovery, and resilience as our human and natural communities emerge from the Labor Day wildfires and the COVID-19 pandemic. Everyone is encouraged to participate. All your uploaded observations that are photographed on the dates above and are wild plants that occur within Lane County will be included. Curiosity is the key, you do not have to know the name of the plant, in fact we would love to help identify wildflowers. We also want to know all the different places in Lane County where there are wildflowers in bloom. This is an iNaturalist project. https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/lane-county-wildflower-show-bioblitz-2021

Friday to Sunday, May 14th - 16th, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Program: 2021 Virtual Wildflower Festival

In partnership with the Emerald Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Oregon, Lane Community College and University of Oregon, Mount Pisgah Arboretum is excited to present the annual Wildflower Festival in a virtual format for 2021, giving people from all over the opportunity to join in on the festivities. Over a three-evening event (May 14-16th) we'll have a variety of virtual field trips and presentations on topics like fire ecology, native plant gardening, plant-pollinator interactions, botanical illustration, and more! MPSO members receive a discounted rate for tickets! Visit www.mountpisgaharboretum.org in the coming weeks for a full schedule and registration!

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 highdesertnpso@gmail.com.

Wednesday, April 21st, 7:00 pm

Program: What's in a (Scientific) Name?

Online Program Sign up here

Presenter: Christine Ott-Hopkins, Professor Emerita

Central Oregon Community College

Tuesday, May 25, 7:00 pm

Program: Bend Pollinator Pathway: how you can get involved!

Presenter: Basey Klopp

Online Program Sign up coming later

Wednesday, June 9th, noon

Program: Native Plants to Save our Insects and Birds

Presenter: Doug Tallamy

Online Program co-sponsored by the High Desert Museum. Sign up coming later.

Tuesday-Thursday, July 20-22

Grass Identification Workshop at John Day, Oregon

Instructor: Cindy Roché

Klamath Basin

For information on the Klamath Basin Chapter, visit http://klamathbasinnps.com.

Mid-Columbia (currently inactive)

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

Portland

Our members receive The Calochortus, our monthly e-newsletter with field trips, programs, news, and events for the Portland area. If you are not receiving it, check your spam folder and notify us at npsopdxchapter@gmail.com of any email address change. You'll also find our monthly programs and additional field trips posted on our Meetup page

at https://www.meetup.com/NPSO-Portland/.

Our Facebook page is regularly updated with current wildflower bloom status and photos visit https://www.facebook.com/npso.portland/.

Visit our chapter website at https://portlandnativeplants.org/

Our monthly programs are now "Virtual". Members will find a link to register for our second Thursday Zoom presentations in each issue of The Calochortus newsletter and below.

Thursday, April 8th, 7-9pm

Program: Return to Crete; Wildflowers and History of a Mediterranean Island

Presenter: Ed Alverson, Author and Photographer

The Greek island of Crete is one of the largest of the Mediterranean islands. The island hosts a diverse landscape of beaches, mountains, gorges, and plateaus, and a flora that is the result of many millennia of interaction between nature and the island's residents. As a child, Ed and his family lived on Crete for a year, and in 2019 he returned to explore the island's history and botany. Ed's presentation will highlight the many interesting features of Crete's flora, as well as the ways that traditional land uses sustain the native flora. You must register in advance for this meeting using the link below:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvcu-hpj8jH9J4Rv1m9Botio3CnQ_H89Rh

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with a link for your own use. Save it. Do not forward or distribute this link.

Saturday, April 24th, 10:00 - 11:30am

Program: Kick off Native Plant Appreciation Week 2021

Presenter: Willow Elliott

Location: Wilshire Park, Portland Parks Ecological Landscape "Nature Scape" 4116 NE 33rd

Avenue, Portland 97212

Walk around the perimeter of the "Nature Scape" planting with Willow Elliott of NPSO at Wilshire Park to hear about the environmental benefits and rewards of including northwest native plants in your home or business landscape. Top among benefits is food and shelter for insect pollinators, the powerhouses of food production in our environment. Other benefits of gardening with native plants include their adaptability, low maintenance, and low water consumption. And they're beautiful! Contact Willow at npsopdachapter@gmail.com for more information.

<u>Siskiyou</u>

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, make a suggestion, or provide feedback regarding the field trip program, please contact Katelyn Detweiler, detweiler.katelyn@gmail.com. Join us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com//siskiyouChapterNativePlantSocietyOfOregon/

The Siskiyou Chapter has a YouTube channel, check it out at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXFI2J9yp2AYmUzNz0jLlSw

Thursday, April 15th, 6:00 pm

Program: Prescribed fire and tanoak (*Notholithocarpus densiflorus*) associated cultural plant resources of the Karuk and Yurok Tribes of California.

Presenter: Dr. Halpern, Assistant Professor, Southern Oregon University

The targeted application of prescribed fire has long been used by Indigenous peoples to manage plant and animal resources of cultural value. Engagement in management and resource procurement activities not only provides valuable foods, medicines, and fibers to Tribal communities but continuously re-establishes connection to art, kinship networks, ceremony, and place. Acorns are a valued resource used by Indigenous communities throughout the western United States and beyond. This research by Dr. Halpern examines the effect of Indigenous fire management on the life cycle, quality, and accessibility of tanoak acorns (*Notholithocarpus densiflorus*, Fagaceae) and investigates dynamics between frugivorous insects, animal co-consumers, and humans. Dr. Halpern is an Assistant Professor of Biology (Ethnobotany, Plant Ecology, and Fire Ecology) and the Co-Coordinator for the M.S. Environmental Education Program at Southern Oregon University. The program will also include a short chapter meeting.

Advanced registration is required to attend this free Zoom meeting. To register in advance, please go to: https://bit.ly/3qLaxQm. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

<u>Umpqua Valley</u>

Visit <u>umpquavalleynativeplants.com</u> for more information on chapter activities or to be added to our email list. Check out our Facebook page, <u>www.facebook.com/UmpquaValleyNPSO</u>. Not online? - call Donna Rawson 541-643-0364.

Willamette Valley

For program information, contact John Savage at 503-779-5414, wvnpso@gmail.com

Saturday, April 24th, 10:00 am - noon

Program: Field Trip Bush Park Wildflower Walk and iNaturalist Demonstration Presenters: John Savage and Kassi Roosth of the Willamette Valley Chapter

Walk to view the wildflowers in Bush Park and Deepwood Gardens. Nearly two dozen native wildflowers should be in bloom. Kassi will show how to use iNaturalist to identify flowers and post pictures and questions about unidentified flowers. Bring water, a snack, sturdy walking shoes, and a jacket. All trip attendees must wear masks, keep safely apart on the trails, and observe other Covid-19 safety measures. Registration is required. For information about the trip and to register for this field event, email John Savage at wvnpso@gmail.com or call 503-779-5414.

Saturday, May 8th, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Program: Field Trip Baskett Slough Wildflower Walk

Presenter: Aislinn Adams of the Willamette Valley Chapter

Walk to view the blooming wildflowers of the Baskett Slough National Wildlife Refuge, ten miles west of Salem. Baskett Slough hosts a rich variety of wildflowers including golden paintbrush (*Castilleja levisecta*), Willamette daisy (*Erigeron decumbens*), Nelson's checkermallow (*Sidalcea nelsoniana*), common camas (*Camassia quamash*), and cat's ear lily (*Calochortus tolmiei*). Bring water, a snack, sturdy walking shoes, and a jacket. All trip attendees must wear masks, keep safely apart on the trails, and observe other Covid-19 safety measures. Registration is required. For information about the event and to register for this field trip, email John Savage at wvnpso@gmail.com or call 503-779-5414.

William Cusick

Chapter notices and communications are done primarily through a Google group. For more information or to be added to the Google group, please contact Susan Geer at 541-963-0477 or susanmgeer@gmail.com. Find us on Instagram at instagram.com/wm.cusick.chapter. Our website is not currently functional.

Native Plant Interest Groups:

Filipendula

For more information, visit our Facebook page: NPSO-Filipendula Chapter

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