

Native Plant Society

South Sound Chapter

September 1999

Fall Meetings

NOTE: CHANGES TO MEETING TIME AND LOCATION. The location for our regularly scheduled meetings has been changed. The board decided to move us to the **US Forest Service Building** so we would have access to a kitchen, and to save money. The meeting day will still be the **first Wednesday of the month**, but the time will be **7:00 pm**. The Forest Service Building is located at 1835 Black Lake Blvd. SW (just south of the Highway 101 interchange).

October 6, 1999: 7:00 pm. US Forest Service Building, 1835 Black Lake Blvd SW, Olympia. The speaker will be **Sarah Cooke**. Sara is a renowned regional wetlands biologist, and author of the recently published book "*A Field Guide to the Common Wetland Plants of Western Washington and Northwest Oregon*". Sarah will be discussing wetland plant biology, identification and ecology.

November 3, 1999. 7:00 pm. This will be our yearly meeting in **Montesano**. Meet us at the Methodist Church, 410 Spruce E., Montesano. The topic will be the Grays Harbor Audubon Society's Humptulips property. Erikka Pearson and other chapter members have been conducting a botanical inventory of this pristine and diverse property over the summer. Erikka and Perry Lund will report on their finds.

December 1, 1999. 7:00 pm. US Forest Service Building, 1835 Black Lake Blvd SW, Olympia. The speaker will be **Try Christofolli**, the botanist from Mt. St. Helens National Monument.

Check out our Web Site

Chapter member Perry Lund has taken on the job of creating and maintaining our web site - you can find it by accessing the WNPS web site at <http://www.wnps.org/> and clicking on the South Sound Chapter portion of the state map. The site has lots of information on upcoming events, and opportunities to participate in native plant conservation. Check it out!

Proposed changes to Bylaws.

The Board is proposing to make some changes to the chapter bylaws. These changes will be presented at the October meeting, or you can read about them on our web site. The membership will be given the chance to vote on the proposed changes at the October meeting, by mail or on line at our web site.

Garry Oak (Quercus Garryana) Acorn Study

Scientists in the US Forest Service Olympia, Washington have initiated a study of Oregon white oak/Garry oak acorn production. They are looking for volunteers to survey oak trees for acorn abundance in September and October this year and in future years. Survey forms, instructions and additional information on this species can be found on the following web page: <http://www.fs.fed.us/pnw/olympia/silv/oak.htm>

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